

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE-

EIGHTY-SECOND SESSION

OF THE-

MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., Dec. 4, 1895.

The Eighty-Second session of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in the Methodist Church in

Yazoo City, Mississippi, at 9 a.m., December 4, 1895.

No Bishop being present the Conference was called to order by the Secretary of the last Conference. J. W. Harmon was nominated and elected to preside until a permanent organization could be effected.

T. L. Wellen conducted religious services by reading John XX. 1 to 17, and

T. L. Mellen conducted religious services by reading John XV, 1 to 17, and announcing Hymn 228, which was sung by the Conference, and by prayer.

The roll was called by the Secretary of the last session and the following answered to their names:

Roll of the Mississippi Conference according to admission, re-admission or transfer:

R. A. Sibley, J. A. B. Jones, (r) W. B. Hines, W. B. Lewis, N. B. Young, C. G. Andrews, E. H. Mounger, I. B. Røbertson, W. W. Hurst, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, (r) R. B. Downer, (t) F. M. Williams, (r) R. D. Norsworthy, D. P. Bradford, D. G. W. Ellis, J. H. Holland, C. McDonald, J. W. McLaurin, T. S. West, (t) R. J. Jones, R. Bradley, D. C. Langford, T. B. Holloman, C. D. Cecil, (t) R. S. Woodward, C. A. Powell, B. F. Jones, B. S. Rayner, W. W. Simmons, J. P. Drake, I. W. Cooper, (t) R. R. Caldwell, (r) T. W. Brown, (r) L. Carley, I. L. Peebles, W. W. Cammack, J. T. Nicholson, J. W. Chambers, (r) L. P. Meador, (t) J. M. Pugh, N. M. Clark, A. D. Miller, D. F. Guice, T. W. Adams, R. F. Witt, J. W. Brown, (r) J. W. Harmon, (t) W. C. Black, H. W. VanHook, A. T. Bell, W. J. Roberts, (t) H. G. Hawkins, W. G. Backus J. V. Penn, H. W. Featherstun, T. L. Mellen, M. H. Moore, B. F. Lewis, Levi S. Jones. J. G. Sibley, W. W. Morse, V. V. Boone, R. S. Gale, R. Selby, M. L. Burton, N. B. Harmon, J. M. Morse, G. H. Galloway, W. L. Linfield, R. A. Breland, W. H. Huntley, Jos. N. Ware, F. M. Keen, J. G. Cammack, B. H. Rawls, J. G. Galloway, W. M. Sullivan, H. M. Ellis, H. Mellard, H. C. Brown, W. M. Stevens, P. H. Howse, G. H. Thompsou, B. W. Lewis, M. L. White, R. H. Barr, J. W. Tinnin, K. S. Enochs, G. A. Guice, W. J. Ferguson, J. W. Crisler, W. T. Griffin, C. C. Evans, G. R. Ellis, J. T. Abney, W. S. J. Dawson, H. B. Vandenberg, J. M. Weems, (r) W. W. Hooper, (r) J. N. Tucker, (r) H. J. Harrls, (t) R. W. Bailey, (t) H. E. Partridge.

The following roll of lay members was called and those marked "p" were

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Jackson District: W. H. Cassell (p), R. L. Bennett (p), F. Carothers (p), C. C. Campbell. Vicksburg District: T. A. Holloman (p), E. S. Drake, R. H. Noblin, (p) B. H. Ritchey(p). Natchez District: J. M. Sessions (p), J. F. Cassels (p), H. B. McGehee (p), B. F. Goza (p). Meridian District: L. P. Brown (p), T. P. Bell (p), E. G. Mohler (p(, D. S. Harmon (p), Brandon District: J. R. Enochs, W. M. Thornton (p), M. Cadenhead (p), Irvin Miller (p).

ENTERPRISE DISTRICT: S. J. Johnson (p), W. S. Davis (p), D. W. Heidleberg (p), M. H. BROOKHAVE DISTRICT: J. E. Carruth, B. D. Hennington, M. G. Felder (p), H. G.

Godbold.

SEA SHORE DISTRICT: M. M. Evans, Henry Ware (p), L. M. Dantzler, A. J. Clark.

Conference proceeded to ballot for a president and C. G. Andrews was elected.

J. A. B. Jones was elected Secretary with the following assistants: M. Black, H. M. Ellis, J. W. Chambers, W. L. Linfield, J. G. Galloway, G. H. Galloway and W. M. Stevens.

The auditorium of the Church was fixed as the bar of the Conference. The hours of meeting and adjournment were determined to be 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. respectively.

On motion of J. P. Drake it was decided not to collect moneys in the

Conference room while Conference was in session.
J. M. Leech, representing the Publishing House, was introduced to the

The Presiding Elders nominated and the Conference elected the following: Standing Committees, viz:

Public Worship: E. H. Mounger, H. W. Featherstun, R. L. Bennett.
Memoirs: W. H. Huntley, R. S. Woodward, I. B. Robertson, K. S. Enochs, W. B. Lewis, W. G. Forsythe, D. C. Langford, F. M. Williams.
State of the Church: D. G. W. Ellis, W. T. Griffin, M. E. Cadenhead, B. S. Rayner, J. G. Sibley, J. S. Parker, D. W. Heidleberg, J. T. Leggett.
Bible Cause: D. S. Harmon, W. G. Backus, B. H. Rawls, D. F. Guice, L. M. Dantzler, C. C. Campbell, M. H. Turner, B. H. Ritchey
Sabbath Observance: A. T. Bell, J. E. Carruth, W. P. Jones, B. F. Lewis, A. J. Clarke, W. H. Cassell, J. N. Ware, J. D. Crymes.
Temperance: L. P. Meador, M. G. Felder, R. A. Sibley, W. W. Simmons, R. Gelty, F. Carothers, S. J. Johnson, C. D. Cecil.
Publishing Interests: T. P. Bell, J. M. Morse, H. E. Partridge, J. N. Ticker, T. W. Adams, R. A. Breland, D. P. Bradford, T. W. Brown.
District Conference Records: E. G. Mohler, W. W. Morse, R. Bradfey, H. F. Gozh, J. C. Clower, W. J. Ferguson, W. S. Davis, R. H. Noblin.
Conference Relations: G. H. Galloway, H. P. Lewis, R. F. Witt, F. H. Howse, F. M. Keen, A. D. Miller, M. H. Moore, P. Howard.

D. W. Heidleberg, alternate, was recognized in place of C. R. Rencher, lay member, who was absent.

The report from the book agents at Nashville was read and referred to the

Committee on Publishing Interests.

A communication from D. Morton, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, was read and was referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

A communication from W. D. Kirkland, Sunday-school Editor, was read

and referred to the Sunday-school Board.

A report from H. C. Morrison and W. R. Lambuth, Missionary Secretaries, was read and referred to the Board of Missions.

A report from J. A. Monroe, President of the Edward McGehee College for Girls, was read and referred to the Board of Education.
Dr. W. B. Murrah, President of Millsaps College, was introduced to the Conference.

The Twentieth Question was called, Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? The following Presiding Elders were called, gave an account of the condition of their respective districts, and were passed, viz: J. M. Weems, C. A. Powell, R. J. Jones, L. Carley, C. McDonald, E. H. Mounger, R. D. Norsworthy, L. S. Jones. The following were alsopassed: C. G. Andrews, W. H. Lewis, T. W. Brown, A. D. Miller, F. M. Williams, C. D. Cecil, J. P. Drake, W. H. Huntley, W. L. Linfield, G. A. Guice, J. W. Crisler, H. M. Ellis, T. W. Adams, P. Howard, R. B. Downer, R. Sibley, N. B. Harmon, W. G. Forsythe, J. G. Sibley, G. W. Ferrer, R. S. Woodward.

A report was read from the Trustees of Whitworth Female College and referred to the Board of Education. A memorial from the Enterprise Discontinuation.

referred to the Board of Education. A memorial from the Enterprise District Conference was read and was referred to the Board of Education.

O. W. Sadler, from the North Mississippi Conference, traveling in the in-

terest of the Epworth League, was introduced to the Conference.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that M. L. Burton would preach at 3 p.m. in the Methodist Church and H. E. Partridge at 7 p.m.

Conference adjourned by singing the verse beginning, "O, to grace, how great a debtor," and the benediction by W. B. Hines, at the request of President Andrews.

SECOND DAY.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., Dec. 5, 1895.
The Conference met at 9 a.m., C. G. Andrews in the chair. The religious service was conducted by H. P. Lewis.
The roll was called and the following, in addition to those present on

yesterday, answered to their names:
W. D. Dominick, W. P. Jones, J. M. Cowan, J. D. Crymes, W. G. Forsythe, H. L. Norton, J. T. Leggett, H. B. Trevillion, W. T. Griffin, P. D. Hardin.
On motion of D. P. Bradford the calling of the roll was dispensed with

during the remainder of the session.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

T. B. Holloman, President of East Mississippi Female College, presented a report from the trustees of that institution which was referred to the Board of Education.

A letter was read from Rev. J. B. Fearn, M.D., the special missionary of this Conference in China. On motion of J. M. Weems the Conference united with W. L. C. Hunnicutt in prayer for Dr. Fearn and for our work in China. Two verses of Hymn 610 were sung, "Shall we whose souls are lighted with wisdom from on high, shall we, to men benighted, the lamp of life deny?"

On motion Dr. Fearn was continued as the Special Missionary of the Conference. C. G. Andrews was continued to receipt for and forward funds for the support of Dr. Fearn, and to send to him the Christian greetings of this

Conference.

F. M. Keen was appointed to solicit and collect funds for support of Dr. Fearn.

W. G. Backus was appointed to receive money for the Bible Cause.

Question Second was called. Who remain on trial? The following having stood approved examinations were passed and continued, viz: Clarence M. Crossley, John H. Foreman, E. E. Langford.

Question Third: Who are discontinued? A. C. Burt, at his own request. Rev. Dr. D. Morton, Secretary of the Church Extension Board, was intro-

duced to the Conference, and made an address about his work.

Question Seventh: Who are the Deacons of one year? The following, reported as having stood approved examinations, were passed and advanced to the class of the fourth year, viz: Henry W. VanHook, Wm. Job Roberts, Henry G. Hawkins, Martin L. White, Adolphus T. Bell, Harrison B. Vandenberg. The following were passed and continued in the class of the third year, not having stood approved examinations, viz: Robert H. Barr, Paul D. Hardin, Lames G. Cammack, Henry G. Proven, Hiram B. Travillian din, James G. Cammack, Henry C. Brown, Hiram B. Trevillion. Rev. D. C. O'Howell, of the Missouri Conference, was introduced to the

A. F. Watkins read report from the Trustees of Millsaps College, which

was referred to the Board of Education.

Question Eighth: What traveling preachers are elected Deacons? Thos. Jones Norsworthy, Charles F. Emery, William M. Williams having stood examinations were passed elected. and The following having stood approved examinations were passed in orders as local Deacons, viz: Matthew J. Miller, Elbert T. Breland, A. H. Shannon, Marvin McKendree Black, Thomas H. King, Robert E. Rutledge, Waldo W. Moore. The following were passed and continued in the class of the second year, not having been before the Committee of Examination, viz: John C. Ellis, D. Scarborough.

On motion of H. W. Featherstun, 12 m. Saturday was appointed as the

hour for holding the Memorial Service.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that W. B. Lewis would

preach at 3 p.m., and that Dr. Morton would deliver an address on Church Ex-

tension at 7 p.m.

Conference sang the verse beginning, "Together let us sweetly live," and was adjourned with the benediction by D. G. W. Ellis, at the request of President Andrews.

THIRD DAY.

YAZOO CITY, December 6, 1895.

The Conference met at 9 a.m. with Bishop Duncan in the chair. He conducted the religious services.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following was adopted, viz.:

WHEREAS, The Rev. C. G. Andrews, D.D., and myself have served together at the Secretary's table from blooming youth to venerable age—twenty-nine years, except one year the Conference being without a bishop he was elected to preside, and

Whereas, At this Conference he being elected president and having presided with honor to himself and with satisfaction to the Conference until

relieved this morning from the duties and responsibilities of the chair by the gratifying arrival of Bishop Duncan, therefore be it

Resolved, That our beloved brother, C. G. Andrews be requested to resume the position of Secretary in which he has for so many years faithfully, efficiently and acceptably served the Conference.

J. A. B. Jones. A paper was read from the Parent Board of Missions and was referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

A communication from George Wms. Walker, president of Paine Insti-

tute, was read and referred to the Board of Education.

The twentieth question was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The following were passed and were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relation, viz.:

Thos. Price, D. Merchant, A. B. Nicholson, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young.

The following were passed and referred to the committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation, viz.: J. W. Sandell, J. M. Cowan.

The name of W. E. Ballard was called and referred to the Committee on

Memoirs, he having recently died.

The following were passed: W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, R. S. Gale, J. S.

Parker. The twelfth question was called: What traveling preachers are elected ers? The following having been duly certified as having stood approved examinations and as having traveled four years consecutively were passed and elected elders, viz: John W. Tinnin, G. H. Thompson, W. T. Griffin, C. C. Evans, B. W. Lewis, J. T. Abney, W. J. Dawson, Martin L.

White. G. R. Ellis was passed in orders as a local elder. The following were

continued in the class of the fourth year, not having stood approved examina-

tions, viz.: J. T. Leggett, J. G. Cammack, W. M. Sullivan.

Question Ten was called, viz.: What local preachers are elected Deacons?

The following having been duly recommended by their respective Districts Conferences, were elected, viz.: Charles W. Huff, from the Meridian District; George P. McKeown, from the Georgetown District, Northwest Texas Conference, and Needham M. Alford and John Daunt Warner, the last two from the Brookhaven District Conference.

The Rev. Dr. Miller, pastor of the Baptist Church, and the Rev. Dr. Cun-

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ningham, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, both in this city, were in troduced to the Conference.

A letter of greeting from J. H. Evans was read to the Conference.

B. F. Lewis read a communication from the Board of Education as information to the Conference.

T. L. Mellen read a report from the Board of Colportage, which was dis-

cussed and withdrawn for the present.
Dr. Morton, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension addressed the Conference and raised two hundred and ninety dollars and fifty cents in cash and subscriptions to build a Church for the Cubans in Tampa, Florida.

Question Twenty was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? The following were passed: W. L. C. Hunnicutt, I. L. Peebles, J. T. Nicholson, A. F. Watkins, T. S. West, B. F. Jones, W. B. Lewis, J. W. Brown, R. F. Witt, T. L. Mellen, H. E. Partridge, D. F. Guice, W. C. Black, W. D. Dominick, C. W. Crisler, J. A. Moore, J. W. McLaurin, J. W. Chambers, H. Mellard, R. Bradley, I. W. Cooper, T. B. Holloman, D. G. W. Ellis, W. H. Huntley, W. W. Cammack, W. G. Forsythe, J. G. Galloway.

The name of W. R. Sims was called and his Presiding Elder handed in his credentials as a Minister of the Gospel, he having forfeited and surren-

The Committee on Public Worship announced that I. L. Peebles would

preach at 3 p.m., and R. W. Bailey at 7 p.m.

The Conference adjourned with the doxology and the benediction by Bishop Duncan.

FOURTH DAY.

FORENOON SESSION.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., Dec. 7, 1895. The Conference met at 9 a.m., Bishop Duncan in the chair. The Conference joined with the Bishop in singing "Rock of Ages." T. W. Brown led in

prayer.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

C. G. Andrews, publisher of the Minutes of last year, reported that he had received from the Conference last year \$212.80. The cost of printing 3,000 copies of the Minutes was \$158.12. The sum of \$12.48 was paid for expressing the Minutes to the members, and \$20.22 for postage. This leaves on hand \$21.98. Reckoning the cost this year the same as last year, there will be an additional sum needed of \$168.83, which, being divided between the Board of Missions, the Board of Church Extension, the Board of Education, Sunday-School Board, and the Board of Finance, will require from each \$33.77.

The following passed previously were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuated Relation, viz: W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, V. V. Boone; for the Supernumerary Relation, J. S. Parker.

A. F. Watkins was placed upon the Examining Committee of the First Year in the place of W. R. Sims.

On motion of E. H. Mounger, the Bishop was requested to appoint C. W. Crisler and A. H. Shannon as students of Millsaps College.

The Seventh Question was again called: Who are the Deacons of one? The Committee of Examination reported that R. H. Barr had, since his relation was fixed, stood an approved examination, and he was advanced to the class of the fourth year.

The Twentieth Question was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? The following were passed, viz: J. A. B. Jones, H. P. Lewis, I. B. Robertson, W. W. Hurst, P. Howard, D.P.

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Bradford, L. P. Meador, G. H. Galloway, M. H. Moore, H. L. Norton, B. S. Rayner, D. C. Langford, W. W. Simmons, E. F. Edgar, N. M. Clark, L. J. Jones, W. J. Ferguson, H. W. Featherstun, R. W. Bailey, B. F. Lewis, J. N. Tucker, K. S. Enochs, W. P. Jones, W. G. Backus, M. L. Burton, J. M. Morse, R. A. Breland, F. M. Keen, J. V. Penn, W. W. Morse, P. H. Howse, B. H. Rawls, J. N. Ware. W. W. Hopper was passed, and under Question Sixteen, Who are located they was granted a location at his own request.

The name of J. D. Crymes was called. His Presiding Elder, J. M. Weems, made statement of objections to the conduct of Brother Crymes in certain matters, and submitted the following questions for the official decision of the

Bishop, which questions and answers are as follows, viz:

QUESTIONS OF LAW AND ANSWERS.

Does the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, recognize the employment of women as preachers of the Word, with authority to occupy its pulpits in reading the Holy Scriptures and in preaching the same as ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ?

Answer: It does not.
2. Does the disciplina Does the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, authorize a pastor in charge of a station, circuit or mission of said Church to invite a woman claiming to be a minister of the Lord Jesus Christ to occupy the pulpits of said Church to expound the Scriptures as a preacher of the Word

It does not.

And do not such invitations given and services so rendered offend against the authority and order of said Church and the teaching of the Holy Oracles.?

Answer: It does. W. W. DUNCAN.

T. L. Mellen moved that the character of J. D. Crymes do now pass. J. M. Weems offered a substitute that the character of Brother Crymes be now passed, if he will accept the ruling of the Chair and conform his conduct to it. T. L. Mellen moved to table the substitute, which motion was not sustained. The substitute was then adopted.

L. Carley presented the recognition of the orders of Darius Clayton Farmer, an Elder in the Mothodist Protestant Church. The Conference voted not to

Elder in the Methodist Protestant Church. The Conference voted not to

recognize the recommendation.

Application was made for the recognition of Lodric T. Cole, an elder in the Church of Christ. After questions propounded by the Bishop and satisfactorily answered by Brother Cole, he was received into the traveling

connection.

The candidates for reception into full connection were called before the altar, were addressed by the Bishop, answered satisfactorily the questions of discipline, having been previously passed and certified as to proper examination, were admitted in answer to question four: Who are admitted into full connection? viz: Thos. Jones Norsworthy, Matthew J. Miller, Elbert T. Breland, Chas. F. Emery, A. Harvey Shannon, John D. Ellis, Marvin McKendree Black, Thomas H. King, Robert E. Rutledge, Waldo W. Moore, William M. Williams.

On motion of H. W. Featherstun, the order of the day, fixing 12 o'clock as the time for holding the memorial service was reconsidered, and it was ordered that the memorial service be held on Sunday night in connection with the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

On motion Conference determined, after adjournment, to meet at 3 p.m. N. B. Harmon read the following which was adopted as the

REPORT OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Board of Church Extension would respectfully submit to you the following as their statement of the work of the closing year with suggestions for the coming year. For detailed information concerning the work and a synopsis of its achievements from the beginning, you are referred to the Minutes of the Eighty-First session of the Mississippi Conference. By request of Dr. Morton we present you herewith a succinct statement of the work of the

Board since its organization. The number of churches in our bounds aided by

the Conference Board in thirteen years, 114; amount paid them, \$9,172.

The number aided by the General Board in same time, 10; amount donated them, \$2,200: amount loaned, \$200. Some having received aid from both Boards, the net number aided was 116. The Mississippi Conference has contributed on the regular assessments from the beginning, \$18,741.91.

The general contributions to the various loan funds aggregate \$101,222.99, and of this amount the Mississippi Conference is credited with \$1,644 raised by Bishop Galloway and Dr. Morton as the Paine Loan fund. The uncollected notes still due this fund we earnestly request to be sent as soon as possible through our Treasurer, T. A. Holloman, to Dr. Morton.

We call attention to the fact that we have aided 70 churches in the coun-

try places, as compared with 36 in the towns.

The report of the past year's work is more cheering than that of the pre-

The vast magnitude and importance of this work is growing upon us. The discriminations against this Board (as referred to by Dr. Morton) by the pastors in distributing the monies collected for the various causes, we hope will not again occur. The receipts from the various districts for 1895 aggregate \$1,628.45; anniversary collection, \$52.36; balance from fund of 1894, \$55. special collection taken by Dr. Morton for the Cuban mission amounted to \$297.50; \$153.50 of this last being cash, makes the total collections from all sources during the year, \$1,889.31. As compared with last year we have an increase of \$305.16.

There were fifteen applications before the Board asking for \$2,510, while the Board had but \$805.91 with which to meet these urgent needs. Had the assessment been in full all these requests could have been granted, leaving a

surplus of \$320.

Thirteen of the applications were granted donations, while one was conditionally aided.

The churches receiving aid are as follows:

Salem\$	42	50	Terry\$	75	00
Lindsey	25	00	Bay St. Louis	175	00
Chunkey	25	00			_
Pulaski	20	00	Total distributed to Churches.\$	800	00
North Wesson	100	00	To D. Morton for literature \$	20	00
Porterville	25	00	To printing minutes	35	00
Bethany	37		Expense account		
Carter's Mill	25	00	By amt. to Gen. Board	867	90
Laurel	75	00	·		
Toomsuba	50	00	Total distributions, all sources \$1	729	90
West End	100	00	Balance in the Treasury\$	5	91
Norfield		00	·		

The assessments upon the several Districts are as follows:

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Vicksburg District\$	450	Natchez District\$	280
Jackson District	450	Enterprise District	225
Brookhaven District	450	Brandon District	200
Meridian District	370	_	
Sea Shore District	300	Total \$5	2725

THE WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

It is with delight we announce gratifying progress in this very important branch of our work. The Mississippi Conference Society held its second annual meeting in the Methodist Church at Wesson, Miss., July 28-29, 1895. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. T. L. Mel en from the text: "Enlarge the place of thy tent and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habita-

tions: spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes." Isa. liv. 2.

The officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Charles B. Galloway;
First Vice-President, Mrs. R. J. Turner; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Janie
Klein; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Clara H. Cope; Recording Secretary,

Mrs. B. F. Lewis: Treasurer, Mrs. T. B. Holloman; Auditor, Mrs. W. L. C. Hunnicutt.

In connection with this work the Board passed the following resolution: WHEREAS. Bishop W. W. Duncan, now presiding at the Mississippi Conference, has given hearty support and helpful encouragement to the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society, therefore,

Resolved, That we urge upon the Conference to heed his timely sugges-

tion and strenuously endeavor to convert all the Local Aid Societies in our

bounds into Parsonage and Home Mission Auxiliaries.

By request of the President of the General Parsonage and Home Mission

Society we incorporate the following resolutions in our report.

N. B. HARMON, Secretary. Resolved, That the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society in each charge be urged to improve the condition of its parsonage, striving to make it more convenient, comfortable and tasteful, and improve the grounds by plant-

ing fruit and shade trees: also that our pastors be urged to place the parsonage in as perfect a condition as possible upon leaving.

Resolved, That a list of the Conference officers of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society, with their addresses, be published annually in the minutes of this Conference, and that a copy of the minutes of this Conference be furnished annually to the central office of that Society at Nashwille Tenn

ville. Tenn.

Resolved, That we urge each preacher in this Conference to change his Aid Society into a Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society, and that That we urge each preacher in this Conference to change his all the money expended in its bounds by each local Parsonage Society and by the Conference Society and Central Committee be reported to this Annual Conference and incorporated in its minutes.

A letter from W. H. Cassell, nurseryman of Canton, offering to send fruit trees to our parsonages where they would be cared for was read. Several short speeches were made upon the duty of caring for parsonages by planting fruit

trees and flowers and cultivating them.

The Missionary Board was called to attend a meeting after the adjourn-

ment of the afternoon session.

The verse beginning, "O, to grace, how great a debtor," was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by C. G. Andrews, at the request of Bishop Duncan.

FOURTH DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

YAZOO CITY, Miss Dec. 7, 1895. The Conference met at 3 p.m., Bishop Duncan in the chair. The religious service was conducted by W. L. C. Hunnicutt.

The minutes of the forenoon session were read and approved. W. A. Gunning read the report of the Joint Board of Finance which was adopted and the funds were distributed among the claimants as follows:

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., Dec. 7, 1895. To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

DEAR FATHERS AND BROTHERS:-The Joint Board of Finance respectfully beg leave to offer this report for the Conference year 1895, and to ac-

count for the monies that are placed at their disposal.

The Board has decided to continue the system of quarterly payments; though it has not worked as well this year as it did in some preceding years. We are satisfied that it can be made a perfect success, if all of our preachers will follow out the plan and suggestions of the Board. This year a programme was prepared and sent to the ministers for the observance of Veteran's Day; and where the day was observed, the results were very satisfactory. The greatest trouble we have, is to get the Conference collection taken separately and entirely distinct from all others. While some of them do, we are sorry to say that a great many of our preachers will not do so.

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We renew the recommendation that the first Sunday in March be observed as Veteran's Day, that all of our ministers take up this collection for Conference claimants on that day, and the Sundays following: and remit the collections to W. M. Thornton, Treasurer, at Lake, Miss. We also recommend that the District Stewarts meet at an early day to make their ap-

portionments.

The following is the apportionment for Conference Claimants for the

year 1896.

1.	Miss Georgia Stewart\$ 25 00 21.	Mrs. J. L. Forsythe 100 00
·).	Mrs. Wm. Finn 100 00 22.	
3.	" A. M. Barrington 75 00 23.	
4.	" T. Y. Armstrong 100 00 24.	
5.	" J. M. Williams 75 00 25.	
6.	" S. Dawson 125 00 26.	
7.	" H. H. Montgomery 125 00 27.	
8.	" John Calhoun 50 00 28.	
9.	" J. J. Smylie 100 00 29.	
10.	Rev. Thos. Price 200 00 30.	
11.	Mrs. J. A. Newsom 25 00 31.	
12.	" V. H. Johnson 100 00 32.	
13.	" D. W. Dillehay 75 00 33.	
14.	" W. M. Wadsworth 50 00 34.	
15.	" Joseph Nicholson 125 00 35.	Rev. H. R. Caldwell 150 00
16.	" Mat Calhoun 125 00 36.	
17.	" E. R. Strickland 100 00 37.	. " J. M. Pugh 150 00
18.	" G. M. Gilmore 125 00 33.	. Mrs. D. A. Little 150 00
19.	" D. M. Wiggins 100 00 39.	
20.	" W. G. Millsaps 25 00 40.	. Rev. J. H. Evans 150 00
The	assessments for Conference Claimant	s for the year 1896 is\$6000
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Gen	neral Conference Fund	
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They are divided as follows:

DISTRICTS.	CONFERENCE.	BISHOPS.	GEN. CON.
Natchez	\$800	\$200	\$120
Vicksburg	800	200	120
Jackson	850.	200	125
Brookhaven	850	200	120
Brandon	660	165	95
Enterprise	660	165	95
Meridian	720	180	105
Seashore	660	165	95

The Bishop's collections for this year are as follows:

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DISTRICTS.	ASSESSMENT.	PAID.	EXCESS.	DEFICIT.
Natchez	\$200	\$175 00	\$	\$25 00
Vicksburg	200	200 00		
Seashore	165	160 00		5 00
Jackson	225	225 00		
Meridian	180	171 85		8 15
Enterprise	165	165 00		• • • • •
Brookhaven	200	201 65	1 65	
Brandon	165	165 00		•••••

One District, Brookhaven, has an excess. Four pay up in full; and three show a deficit.

On the Conference collection we report as follows:

DISTRICTS.	ASSESSMENT.	PAID.	DEFICIT.
Brookhaven	\$850	\$750 00	\$100 00
Natchez	800	460 80	339 20
Vicksburg	000	721 45	78 55
Seashore		478 75	181 25
Brandon	660	429 00	231 00
Meridian	720	463 40	256 60
Enterprise	660	481 60	178 40
Jackson	850	666 70	183 30
		\$4451 70	\$1548 30
We regret to see so great a deficit	in this collecti	ion in some	of the dis-
tricts; none of them report it as paid	in full. The Vi	cksburg Dist	trict comes

nearest it.

while our deficit is \$1,548.30, a much larger amount than last year, our collection is larger by \$483.60 than it was at last Conference. The assesment was increased, and thus we account for it.

Mrs. Lucinda Henderson, of Woodville, Miss., gave to the Board the sum of \$500, to be used for the benefit of our superannuated preachers. This amount will be used for that purpose. Four of the beneficiaries have died during the year; Mrs. F. M. Stewart, Mrs. L. W. Wood, Mrs. J. A. Godfrey and Rev. W. E. Ballard; one has become of age, Miss Alice Brogan, making a total of five taken off. There are added to the number, Mrs. D. A. Little, Mrs. J. W. Ellison, Rev. J. H. Evans. The total number of claimants are sixty-eight (68). sixty-eight (68).

The amounts collected and received are as follows: From regular collection\$4451 70 759 00

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	The following amounts have	been paid to the Conference Clair	nants:
NO.	NAME.	TO WHOM PAID. H. L. Norton	AMOUNT.
1.	Miss Georgia Stewart	H. L. Norton	\$ 25 00
2.	Mrs William Bind	A. P. Walkins	100 00
3.	Mrs A M Parrington	M. L. Burton	75 00
4.	Mrs J N Williams	H. E. Partridge	100 00
5.	Mrs T. Y. Armstrong	G. H. Galloway	100 00
6.	Mac C Darreon	w M Thornton	120 00
7.	Mrs H H Montgomery	W. M. Thornton	100 00
8.	John Calhoun	W. M. Thornton	
9.	Mrs J J Smylie	T. B. Holloman	100 00
10.	Rev Thomas Price	W. M. Thornton	200 00
11.	Miss Alice Brogan	M. H. Turner	50 00
12.	Mag	H W Reatherstiin	20 00
13.	Mrs L W Wood	W. M. Thornton	31 25
14.	Mrs V H Johnson	(†. A. (†1116e	100 00
15.	Mrs D W Dillohov	R S Woodward	75 00
16.	Mrs. J. Nicholson.	R. B. Downer W. M. Thornton	125 (0
17.	Mrs Mat Calhoun	W. M. Thornton	125 00
18.	Mrs W Wadsworth	W. M. THOTHLOH	20 00
19.	Mrs E R Strickland	J. M. Morse	100 00
20.	Mrs G M Gilmore	I. L. Peebles	125 00
21.	Mrs D M Wiggins	W. J. Ferguson	125 00
22.	Mrs I A Godfrey	E. F. Edgar	100 00
23.	Mrg W C Milleane	R D Norsworthy	90 00
24.	Mrs J L Forsythe	R. M. Burton	100 00
25.	Mrs H R Johnson	W. M. Thornton	100 00
26.	Mrs G Hawkins	C. A. Powell	75 00
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27.	Rev. A. B. Nicholson	R. W. Bailey	300 00
28.	Rev. W. B. Hines	Self	500 00
29.	Mrs. J. M. Gann	C. F. Emery	50 00
30.	Mrs. J. D. Hays	M. H. Moore	100 00
31.	Mrs. Ben Jones	Self	100 00
32.	Rev. H. J. Harris	Self	100 00
33.	Mrs. J. A. Ellis	H M Ellic	100 00
34.	Rev. D. Merchant	F. M. Keen	100.00
35.	Kev. E. A. Flowers	M. J. Miller	50.00
36.	Mrs. W. E. Ballard	M. M. Black	•200 00
37.	Mrs. C. C. Watkins	J. W. Crisler	20.00
38.	Otis Calhoun	W M Thornton	25 00
39.	Rev. H. R. Caldwell	Self	150.00
40.	Rev. Geo. Bancroft	B. S. Woodward	150 00
41.	Rev. J. M. Pugh	I. I. Peebles	150 00
42.	Mrs. H. D. Berry	H P Lewis	100 00
43.	Mrs. D. A. Little	H M Ellig	100 00
44.	Rev. J. H. Evans	W J Dawson	100 00
	Mrs. P. Cooper		100 00
	Mrs. W. H. Watkins		• • • • • • • •
*	Mrs. M. A. Bell	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
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****	Ray John W Harmon		•••••
****	Rev. John W. Harmon		
	All of which is respectfully submi	ittea.	

J. W. CHAMBERS, Chairman,

W. A. Gunning, Secretary.

Question Twenty-nine was called: What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,000. Question Thirty: What has been collected on the foregoing and how has it been applied? From the pastoral collections, \$4,451.70; from the Calvin Bequest Fund, \$27.00; from the Publishing House, \$759.00; from Mrs. Henderson, \$500.00; amounting to \$5,737.70.

Question Thirty-five: What has been contributed for the support of

Bishops? \$1478.

T. P. Bell read the following, which was adopted as the

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

We, the Committee on the Publishing Interests of the Church, ask to make

the following report:

We think the last report of the agents of our Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn., as to its condition is a matter of congratulation to every member of our Church. When we reflect that a few years ago the house was burdened with a debt of three hundred thousand dollars, the outlook at that time was indeed gloomy, and we all trembled at the fate that seemed almost inevitable, and that this great interest which to the Church is like a great reservoir of water in a desert land, with outlets in every direction by which the whole country is refreshed and invigorated, would be lost to the Church. We congratulate its managers on the splendid success attending their efforts, and that this year twenty thousand dollars of its profits are distributed to that most sacred of all causes, the support of the Superannuated Preachers and Widows and Orphans of deceased preachers, and we especially commend to the Church all the publications sent out by the house. Our Nashville connectional organ, the Christian Advocate, we think unsurpassed by any religious paper published in this country. It is fully abreast with the times, and advocates with splendid ability all the great interests of the Church. Our Review, under the editorial management of the profound and gifted Tigert, ranks with the very first of its kind. Our Missionary Review is unsurpassed, we think, by anything of the kind we have ever seen, and is teeming with facts showing what our Church is doing in this vast field, stressing the great possibilities that lie

All these things should quicken the conscience of the in this direction. Church, that she may put forth her greatest efforts in this most promising field, to spread the Gospel and carry out the command of the Master to preach the Gospel to every creature. The Church will certainly lose a grand opportunity if she does not fully enter this open door for the accomplishment of a grand and glorious work, in spreading the Gospel of the Kingdom among these heathen nations.

We are gratified to note the improvement under the present management of our Sabbath-School literature. We commend it to the Church to be universally used in her Sabbath-Schools instead of that alien kind denominated

cheap Sabbath-School literature.

In regard to our Conference organ, the New Orleans Christian Advocate. under the wise and conservative management of Dr. Black, is meeting all the requirements of a first-class Conference organ, and we earnestly and cordially recommend it to the patronage of the whole Conference as a vehicle through which the Church can express her thought, advocate her enterprises, defend her policies and uphold her faith. We are gratified to learn that the paper which is the property of the Church, is again on a solid foundation and has had a gratifying increase in circulation during the past year. We recommend the re-appointment of the present publishing committee of the New Orleans Advocate, R. J. Jones. W. B. Lewis, R. W. Bailey. We recommend the re-appointment of W. C. Black editor of this paper. T. P. BELL, Chairman. pointment of W. C. Black editor of this paper.

The following was adopted, viz.:

Resolved. That we deprecate the fact that some of our preachers interest themselves more in the circulating of the Methodist and the Tennessee Methodist than they do in the New Orleans Christian Advocate

H. M. ELLIS. C. A. POWELL.

A. F. Watkins read the following which was adopted as

THE REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference:

To the Bishop and Memoers of the Mississippi Conference:
Your Orphans' Home Committee beg leave to make the following report:
The joint commission appointed by the Mississippi and the North Mississippi Conferences to consider the practicability of establishing an Orphans' Home under the auspices of these conferences in the State of Mississippi, met in the town of Winona on the 26th of March, 1895, and organized by the election of W. A. Gunning, Esq., President; Rev. J. A. Bowen, Recording Secretary and Rev. A. F. Watkins, Corresponding Secretary.

Their conclusions, which we adopt as a part of our report, were as follows:

Their conclusions, which we adopt as a part of our report, were as follows: We are profoundly convinced of the need of a Methodist Orphanage in this State and believe that steps should be taken, at once, to effect its estab-We are led to this conclusion by the consideration of the followlishment.

ing facts:

The Church is the Divinely Appointed Almoner of the People—The channel through which the benevolence of Christian men should flow to relieve the needs of their fellow men. It cannot relegate its benevolent work to secular organizations, upon the one hand, nor to the civil government, upon the other.

2. Organized Denominational Benevolence is the only method by which its obligation can be discharged. The duty cannot be left to the benevolent

impulses of individual Christians.

The More Than 200,000 Protestants in Mississippi support but one orphan asylum, and have nothing in the way of a hospital for the sick or a

home for the needy.

4. On the other hand, the Roman Catholic church in this State, numbering, it is said, less than 12,000 members, maintains two flourishing orphanages, and, through its well organized forces, is doing valuable work in hospitals and elsewhere.

It is claimed that fully three-fourths of the inmates of these orphanaggare the children of Protestant parents, and that practically all of them leave the institutions zealous Roman Catholics and earnest propagandists of that faith.

6. The institutions are, in a large measure, supported by contributions by charitably disposed Protestants, who could, we think, much more wisely support similar institutions organized and maintained by their own churches.

The 80,000 White Methodists in the State are doing absolutely nothing in the way of organized benevolent work, having left the care of the indigent, the diseased and the orphaned to the State or to the benevolence of the individual Christian.

The necessity for humanitarian work upon the part of the church

will be seen when we consider-

First:-The Claims of the Helpless Children. Organized charity is a product of Christianity and is an acknowledgement of the claims of the needy. Such work is in harmony with Christ's spirit and in obedience to His commands.

Second:—The Claims of the Civil Government. The most dangerous element of society is being constantly reinforced by those who were orphans or the children of lawless and degraded parents, and the government has a right to demand that the churches do all in their power to make of these unfortunate children law abiding citizens and honest and virtuous men and women.

Third:—The Claims of the Church Itself. Not only is this a most imperative duty, but a most important means of denominational growth. The church which does most good to men—their bodies as well as their souls—

will receive most loyally the respect and support of men.

In view of these statements, your Committee present, for your consider-

ation and approval, the following resolutions:
1st. That it is the sense of this Conference that there ought to be established in this State an Orphans' Home, under the auspices of the Mississippi and North Mississippi Annual Conferences

2nd. That a committee, consisting of three preachers and two laymen, be appointed, who with a similar committee from the North Mississippi Conference, shall constitute the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Methodist Orphans' Home, whose duty it shall be to procure a charter and, as soon as practicable, locate and put into operation the said Home.

That each of our pastors be instructed to preach in the interest of this enterprise and take up a collection in each congregation of his pastoral charge on or before the first Sunday in April next, and that the superintendents of our Sunday-schools and the Presidents of our Epworth Leagues be requested to bring this cause before these bodies and take up collections for its benefit, and that the amounts so collected be promptly forwarded to the Treasurer of the Board of Directors who shall report from time to time through the columns of the Advocate the amounts received and the charges from which it was paid. Respectfully submitted,

R. J. Jones, Chairman,

A. F. WATKINS, Secretary.

Subscriptions were raised from the congregation present for the Orphans' Home amounting to \$2,082.

It was resolved upon adjournment to meet at 7 p.m. Sunday in Memorial

Service.

R. D. Norsworthy was requested to take the chair by Bishop Duncan. A paper proposing changes in the Constitution of the Conference Brother-hood was read, discussed and withdrawn.

The following appointments for the Sabbath were made by the Committee on Public Worship, viz: Methodist Church, 11 a.m., Bishop Duncan, followed by the ordination of the Deacons; at 3 p.m., sermon by Dr. J. M. Weems, followed by the ordination of the Elders; at 7 p.m., Memorial Service, to be followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Presbyterian Church, 11 a.m., Dr. W. C. Black: at 3 p.m., Children's Service, conducted by Rev. H. G. Hawkins. Baptist Church, 11 a.m., Rev. C. G. Andrews; at 7 p.m., Rev. A. F. Watkins. Methodist Episcopal Church, 11 a.m., Rev. H. M. Ellis; 7 p.m., Rev. H. D. Howell. African Methodist Episcopal Church, 3 p.m., Rev. J. W. Chambers: at 7 p.m., Rev. T. W. Brown.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by W. B. Lewis, at the request of the President, R. D. Norsworthy.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., Dec. 8, 1895.

The Conference met in Memorial Service at 7 p.m., Bishop Duncan presiding. W. L. C. Hunnicutt read ii. Cor. v., 1-10. Conference sang, "I would not live always." W. B. Lewis led in prayer. Conference sang, "Asleep in Jesus." The Nineteenth Question was called: What preachers have died during the year? Duncan A. Little, John W. Ellison, William E. Ballard. W. H. Huntley read the following memoir of

REV. JOHN WESLEY ELLISON.

The subject of this sketch was born in Yazoo County, Mississippi, June the 21st, 1845, and died in Jackson, Miss., September the 12th. 1895, in the fifty-first year of his age. He was born of the Spirit in the summer of the year 1860, near the place of his nativity, at the age of fifteen. In the year 1861, though but sixteen years of age, he entered the army, and was sent, with the Eighteenth Mississippi Regiment, to Virginia. Both his parents had died some years before this. At one time during his soldier life he was sick nigh unto death in the hospital at Fredricksburg, Va. At another time he was captured, in the Battle of the Wilderness, and taken to Fort Delaware, where he suffered great hardships as a prisoner. During these eventful years he he suffered great hardships as a prisoner. During these eventful years he maintained his integrity, and came out of the army the same devout Christian boy he was when he went into it. Still feeling that it was his duty to preach the Gospel, and recognizing the fact that a can to preach involves the duty of preparing for this high vocation, he resolved to get an education at all hazards. His property had all been swept away by the results of the war, so he went to work to make money to go to school on. Of his school life we have this statement from one of his teachers, Rev. A. A. Lomax, of the Baptist "He entered my school at Ebenezer, Holmes County, Miss., in the summer of 1865, and studied under me two and a half sessions of ten months During this time he made rapid progress in all the departments of his course. He was a close student, of modest bearing, and excellent deportment. He possessed a clear, vigorous, logical mind. Not only did he know his lessons, but he sought to know everything that was knowable about them. I found him to be a truly devoted Christian. He was very conscientious, indeed notably so. His orderly life was a great help to me personally, and to the school."

On the 20th day of May, 1869, Brother Ellison was married to Miss Frances S. Rogers, of Holmes County, Miss., by his former teacher, Rev. A. A. Lomax. He was happy in his marriage relation; and the Lord blessed them with three children, two daughters and one son, who, with their mother, survive to

mourn the loss of one of the best of husbands and fathers.

In the summer of 1872 he was licensed to preach and placed in charge of the Yazoo Circuit, which had been vacated. The following December he was admitted into the Mississippi Conference, and remained an honored and trusted member of that body, doing faithful and efficient work in every charge to which he was appointed, until the master said, "It is enough, come up higher." During the period of his active ministry, embracing 23 years, he served the following charges, viz: South Warren, North Warren, Silver Creek, Carthage, Walnut Grove, Fannin, Newton, Greensburg, La. Bowerton, Caseyville, McComb City, Mount Olivet and Shiloh. While at Walnut Grove he wrote a little book on Baptism, "The Lost Key Found." This was afterwards revised and enlarged, and the title changed to "The Question Settled." He was still pursuing the subject, and had he lived he would soon have brought out an improved and enlarged edition of the work. His writings are of acknowledged merit. In addition to his books on baptism he was a frequent contributor to our periodical literature, and his articles were always timely and strong.

Brother Ellison was a preacher of decided ability, and a pastor of conscientious fidelity; hence the interests of the Church were always safe in his hands in every charge he served. His life was one of singular purity in all his relations, his example worthy of imitation. He never, by word or deed, compromised the dignity of his vocation. A man of strong mind, extensive knowledge, and firm will, he was nevertheless unassuming and modest in his bearing towards others.

One of his comrades in the ministry, who joined the Conference at the same time he did, writes of him: "He was an earnest, consecrated man, faithful in the dischafge of his duties. He was an independent thinker, respecting the views of others, but ultimately deciding for himself. He was an economist; on an ordinary circuit he kept his expenditures within the limit of his receipts. It is important for a Methodist preacher to attain this grace. "He was very thoughtful of his family until the very last hour of his life.

"He was very thoughtful of his family until the very last hour of his life. This solicitude for their welfare was the cause of his moving to Jackson. Thither he went against all remonstrance, at a time he was not able to bear the fatigue of the trip, so anxious was he to see them settled in a home before

he passed away."

From the pen of one who was near him I obtained the following facts: He was anxious to see his son educated. This was his reason for moving to Jackson. Arrangements had been made for their settlement convenient to Millsaps College. But he was taken sick on the 2d of August, and had fever nearly all the time for three weeks. This, of course, left him prostrated. Growing some better he started with his family to Jackson on the 5th of September, but was taken quite ill again on the way, and the children came on alone, leaving their mother with him. After two or three days she brought him to their home in Jackson, where every effort was made by medical skill and kind, gentle nursing to restore him to health, but in vain. His work was finished, and on the 12th day of September he closed his eyes on earth to pet them in heaven.

R. S. Woodward read the following memoir of

REV. DUNCAN A. LITTLE.

Rev. Duncan Alexander Little was born in Newton County, Mississippers, near the present town of Hickory, on October 10th, 1845, and died in Meridial, Miss., December 27th, 1894. Nothing is known by the writer of his parents, except that their names were McNiel and Flora Little, and that they died early, leaving him an orphan at the age of six years. He lived with relatives, in Copiah and Jasper Counties, until he was about sixteen years old. At this tender age he entered the Confederate Army, where he stood by his colors with that invincible courage and unswerving fidelity to duty which characterized his entire life. After three years' service, at the battle around Atlanta, Ga., on July 22, 1864, he lost an arm, which, of course, put an end to his active

service in the army.

He was married to Miss Frances P. Sheely, October 10, 1866, which was his twenty-first birthday. Nine children were the fruit of this marriage, eight of whom, with the mother, survive him. Having been elected clerk of the court of Jasper county, he assumed the duties of that office immediately after his marriage, which place he filled with prompt and painstaking integrity for three years. During that time he studied law and was admitted to the bar in Waynesboro, in 1869. In the fall of 1870, while attending a camp-meeting at Salem Camp Ground, he was powerfully awakened under a sermon preached by Rev. Joshua T. Heard, from I. Kings, ii. 2—"Be thou strong, therefore, and show thyself a man." With all the honesty and earnestness of a sincere soul, heart-broken on account of sin, he gave himself wholly to God and was soundly and happily converted, and from that day became a devout and consistent Christian and church member.

Even before his conversion he felt a strange conviction that for him to become a true Christian meant more than the performance of the ordinary duties of a lay member of the Church. When his experience became a well-defined reality, there very soon followed a clearly defined call to the work of the ministry. The sharp struggle common to all of us, at this critical crisis, was as a sword piercing through his soul. But so profound was his conviction that he was called of God "as was Aaron," and, like Paul. feeling that "woe is me if I

preach not the Gospel," he determined that he would not longer "confer with flesh and blood." So he made a war of conquest over all his former ambitions and worldly aspirations, and, laying all upon the altar of God, gave himself wholly to the work of the ministry, which holy calling he made literally his life-work until God called him from labor to reward.

He was licensed to exhort October 16, 1871, and to preach October 11, 1872, at Frost Bridge Church, Waynesboro Circuit, Rev. W. B. Hines, P. E. He was admitted into the Mississippi Conference on trial December, 1873, when it met in Brandon, Miss. He was ordained Deacon by Bishop Marvin, December 18, 1875, and Elder by Bishop McTyeire, December 9, 1877. During the twenty-one years of his ministry he served pastoral charges eight years and districts thirteen years. His first work was Waynesbero Circuit, where he was converted, licensed to preach and recommended to the Annual Conferwas converted, licensed to preach and recommended to the Annual Conference. This charge he served four years, with marked success, followed by three years of great usefulness and popular favor on Spring Hid Circuit. In 1881 he served Williamsburg District. This was the hardest and most self-sacrificing work of his ministry: but it developed the nobler traits of his character. Here he learned to "endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesu-Christ." His great efficiency for the term of four years following on the Woodville District proved his increase of power in the pulpit, administrative ability in the class and wisdom in the counsels of the Church. He was paster ability in the class and wisdom in the counsels of the Church. He was pastor of Enterprise and Heidleburg Station, 1886; was on Brandon District, 1887; Jackson District, 1888-1891; Vicksburg District, 1892-1893; Meridian District, 1891; and at our late Conference in Meridian 1894; and at our late Conference, in Meridian, was again assigned to Waynesboro, where he began his ministry.

As a Presiding Elder "He was to the manor born!" Firm, but prudent, unassuming, yet not wanting in dignity, holding firmly the reins of government, at the same time respecting the rights and opinions of the governed. He understood and honored the Discipline of the Church, and while he magnified his own office, as a Son of the Gospel, he reverenced his seniors and was subject to the appointments of the higher authorities of the Church, always being found at his post of duty, ready to work and suffer in the Master's kingdom, whenever and wherever assigned. He attended every session of his Annual Conference for twenty-one successive years. Though quiet and unobtrusive, his opinions in the deliberations of the Conference and the cabinet were always respected, as they gave evidence of mature thought and judgment. He was ever loyal to the Church, fair-minded and conscientious in the respective claims of the work, and tenderly considerate of the workmen and their

As a preacher, he was strong, practical and instructive. His diction was largely imbued with the manner and phraseology of the Holy Scriptures, giving to it a tender, pathetic and touching coalescence of the instructive and spiritual. Dr. T. S. West, in writing me, says: "Brother Little was a wise, patient and judicious counselor; made a capital circuit preacher and a good Presiding Elder. His sermons were always strong and thoughtful. He made no attempt at oratorical display, nor dealt in florid rhetoric. His style of preaching was conversational, free from cant; he never marred the sacred

message with railing or jest. He had a deep, but unostentatious piety."
He was a tenderly affectionate husband and father, thoughtful of the comfort and happiness of his family. "But his chief desire and prayer to God," as expressed to me by one of his family, "was that they might all be saved."

As a friend and guest, he was most loved where best known. The maturer

the acquaintance the more engaging were his social qualities.

His health had been failing for more than a year. He was suffering from la grippe at the Conference of December, 1893. He was not well at any time He often went to his appointments, much to his physical detriment and discomfort. In October he began to have slow fevers, which finally developed into a typhoid form. He was confined to his room about sixty days. This embraced the period of our Annual Conference. Though within a few blocks of Central Church, where it was held, he was too feeble to attend its sessions or that of the Bishop's council. Though Bishop Keener kindly visited him, as did Bro. T. B. Holloman, who represented his district, and others, he was too feeble to discuss matters at any length; so he committed all to God and his brethren. Yet we were very hopeful of his recovery, and many prayers were offered in his behalf. But, in the wisdom and providence of God, his mission was ended. When told that his end was approaching, he replied: "I have been preparing for this a long time. I feel that I am ready, and can say, the will of the Lord be done." His mind was clear up to his last moments. As I quoted precious promises from the Word of God, he responded, with a bright glow on his face, "Bless the Lord," and other like ejaculations. In his last interview with his family he said to his wife: "You have done all you could to keep me here. Now don't grieve. My way is bright." To his children he said: "Be true to your religion, true to your Church, and true to your mother." Turning his eyes to the youngest, he said, with melting tenderness: "Don't let John forget me." He spoke affectionately of his brethren in the ministry, and expressed reg et that he was too weak to see more of them during the Conference, and concluded by saying: "Give my love to all of them." The tender and loving wife asked those present to pray that he might die easily. The prayer was answered. He fell gently and sweetly on sleep without a struggle. As we looked on his face, calm and peaceful in death, how precious the thought: "Asleep in Jesus." Thy warfare is accomplished. All tears are wiped away. Thou art gone to receive thy crown! Peace, peace! Brother, friend, servant of God, well done! Enter thy Master's joy. Farewell. "We shall meet one another again."

He was buried in Port Gibson. The funeral services were conducted by

Bros. B. F. Jones, W. H. Huntley and H. M. Ellis. W. B. Lewis read the following memoir of

REV. WILLIAM EDWIN BALLARD.

Our departed brother was born in Grenada, Miss., April 4th, 1837, and died at his residence in Natchez, Miss., November 23d, 1895.

He was baptized in infancy by Rev. H. H. Montgomery, and converted in

early life in Greenville, Miss., under the ministry of Rev. Whitfield Harrington.

Feeling that it was his duty to devote his life to the Christian ministry, he determined, if possible, to complete his education. For a while he attended college at Trenton, Tenn., and afterwards entered Centenary College, at Jackson, La., but was prevented from graduating by the suspension of the college at the breaking out of the civil war. He was licensed to preach about the year 1860, and joined the Mississippi Conference in the fall of 1862. His first pastoral charge was the St. Helena Circuit, Louisiana, where he remained two years.

On December 8th, 1864, he was married to Miss Sarah E. Clinton, the youngest daughter of the Rev. Thomas Clinton, late of the Mississippi Conference. This happy union was blessed with three sons, all of whom are now grown, educated and worthy members of the Church of their parents.

Brother Ballard soon developed into one of the leading preachers of his State: and during an active ministry, extending over a period of twenty-eight years, he filled many of the most important charges in the Mississippi Conference. Beauregard and Wesson, Crystal Springs and Hazlehurst, Raymond and Bolton, Clinton, La., Jackson, Miss., Waynesboro, Yazoo City, Port Gibson and Natchez enjoyed the benefits of his able ministry and faithful pastoral care.

In 1883, while in Port Gibson, his health failed, and he was compelled to desist for a time from preaching. He taught school for one year in North Mississippi. His health being fully restored he resumed his loved employ. While in Natchez his health failed again. It was hoped that partial relief from his labors would again restore him to health, and an assistant was given him. His people preferred this arrangement. They were strongly attached to him and desired to retain his services. But it soon transpired that he was permanently disabled. A violent attack of the prevailing epidemic, la grippe, left his heart in a weakened condition, and he never fully recovered. He preached frequently during the summer of 1891, and oftener when the weather

became cooler, but in the spring of 1892 he became an invalid, and remained

helpless to the end.

In October, 1890, there was a great revival in Natchez, under the ministry of Rev. George Inge, in which about eighty persons were received into the Methodist Church, besides many others who joined other churches, as the fruits of the meeting. For this meeting Brother Ballard had planned wisely and worked efficiently. It was said to have been the first revival in twenty years which that Church had enjoyed.

During his last illness, extending over several years, Brother Ballard was a great sufferer, but he endured with patience and meekness. All that medical skill and gentle nursing could do was done, but the disease steadily pro-

gressed until death relieved him of his sufferings.

Brother Ballard had a deep and sweet toned voice; never harsh or overstrained; always distinct and properly modulated. It was soft and yet powerful, just suited to proclaim the Gospel of Peace, to tell the story of Christ's love. His manner of preaching was dignified, forceful and interesting. His sermons were uniform, and never prolix. He did not try to reach the people by reckless harrangue or by presenting extraordinary and exciting incidents,

but he spoke of the truth as his blessed Master revealed it by his life and words. A favorite expression with him was, "the truth is." He was never an extremist. He was always careful and earnest.

Socially, Brother Ballard was very attractive. His manners were natural and easy. He was quiet, gentle and sympathetic. His conversation was interesting and instructive. He never talked too much. Cheerfulness rendered his visits and companionship at all times agreeable. He did not speak evil of his absent brethren; their reputation was sacred with him. In him was beautifully exemplified the wisdom that cometh from above, which is "first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy."

He was a man of good judgment; firm in his convictions, and yet liberal and tolerant toward those who differed from him. He was a good man; a close and faithful follower of his Lord. Like Enoch, he "walked with God; and was not, for God took him." His life and death illustrated the beautiful and "Mark the perfect man, and behold the unright; for the end forceful text: of that man is peace."

We buried his mortal remains in the Natchez Cemetery on Sunday, November 24th, in the presence of a large number of his former parishioners,

and others, in hope of the resurrection.

Remarks upon the life and character of the deceased brethren were made by C. McDonald, W. B. Lewis, R. D. Norsworthy, D. P. Bradford, M. M. Black, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, W. W. Moore, J. D. Crymes, D. C. Langford, W. G. Forsythe, C. A. Powell and Irvin Miller.

The report of the Committee on Memoirs was then adopted.

Bishop Duncan pronounced the Conference adjourned, to be followed by the administration of the Lord's Supper.

SIXTH DAY.

FORENOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 9 a.m., Bishop Duncan in the chair. Religious service was conducted by T. L. Mellen.

The minutes of Saturday of the chair.

The minutes of Saturday afternoon were read and approved.

The Minutes of the Memorial Service were read and approved. Question Nine: What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons? The Bishop reported that after the sermon by himself in the Methodist Church at 11 a.m. on Sabbath he had ordained Thomas Jones Norsworthy, Charles F-Emery and William M. Williams.

Question Ten: What local preachers are ordained Deacons? The Bishop reported that after service as above he had ordained Charles W. Huff, George

P. McKeown and Needham E. Alford.

Question Thirteen: What traveling preachers are ordained Elders? The Bishop announced that after the sermou by Dr. Weems at 3 p.m. Sabbath, in the Methodist Church, he, assisted by C. G. Andrews, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, L. S. Jones, R. D. Norsworthy and H. M. Partridge, had ordained John W. Tinnin, G. H. Thompson, W. T. Griffin, Charles C. Evans, Barney W. Lewis, Wm. J. Dawson, Martin L. White and James T. Abney.

Question Fourteen: What local preachers are elected Elders? None. Question Fifteen: What local preachers are ordained Elders? None. Question Twenty-one: What is the number of local preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions in the Conference? Local

preachers, 144; white members, 36,123.

Question Twenty-two: How many infants have been baptized during the year? 976.

Question Twenty-three: How many adults have been baptized during the year? 809.

Question Twenty-four: What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 32. Question Twenty-five: What is the number of Epworth League mem-Question Twenty-five: bers?

Question Twenty-six: What is the number of Sunday-schools? 350. Question Twenty-seven: What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? Question Twenty-eight: What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

Question Thirty-one: What has been contributed for missions? Foreign. \$6,104.15; domestic, \$2,568,20.

Question Thirty-two: What has been contributed for Church extension?

\$1,868.31.

Question Thirty-three: What has been done for the American Bible So-

ciety? Collected \$281.45.

Question Thirty-four: What has been contributed for the support of the Presiding Elders and the preachers in charge? Presiding Elders, \$8,485.47; preachers in charge, \$56,148.23.

Question Thirty-six: What is the number of Societies, and the number and estimated value of Church edifices? Societies, 368; Church edifices.

394; value, \$3,987.85.

Question Thirty-seven: What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 121; parsonages, 100; value, \$88,102.

Question Thirty-eight: What is the number and value of district parson-

sonages? Number, 4; value, \$5,250.
Question Thirty-nine: What are the educational statistics?? H. W. Featherstun read the report of the Board of Colportage. It was resolved to consider the report item by item. The first item was adopted. The second item was stricken out. The third item was adopted.

T. L. Mellen offered an amendment that our preachers and people purchase their books from the Colporteur and subscribe for our Sunday-school

literature through him, and, as far as possible, pay cash therefor.

The report as amended was adopted, as follows, viz:

REPORT OF BOARD OF COLPORTAGE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

Your Colportage Board would respectfully report:

That since our last session the firm of Laird & Dominick, whom we had recognized as our Book Depositaries, disastrously failed, without, however, in-



volving the credit or good name of our Conference, yet resulting in a loss of

\$2,100 to our Publishing House at Nashville.

2. From Bro. W. D. Dominick, our General Colporteur, we have received a statement of the business done by him since the failure of Laird & Dominick. This report was in general terms, not giving detailed information as to kinds of books sold and other matters such as we need to form correct judgment and to act advisedly.

3. Bro. R. W. Bailey, who purchased the stock of books, etc., and open accounts from the assignee and creditors of the insolvent depositaries, also appeared before this Board and made an oral statement of the condition of the

stock, prospects, etc.

We recommend that a General Colporteur for this Conference be

elected upon the nomination of this Board,

The books of said Colporteur shall be open at all times to the inspection of any member of the Colportage Board; and it shall be the duty of a committee of this Board to examine and audit the business of said Colporteur and depositary, and quarterly statements and balance sheets shall be mailed to every member of the Conference.

We recommend that our preachers and people purchase all their books and subscribe for all Sunday-school literature through our Colporteur and as far as possible pay cash therefor. T. I. MELLEN, Chairman.

H. W. FEATHERSTUN, Secretary. The following was adopted as

REPORT No. 2, BOARD OF COLPORTAGE.

To the President and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference, Metho-

dist Episcopal Church, South:

Your Colportage Board hereby nominate and request the election and appointment of Bro. R. W. Bailey General Colporteur of this Conference, in ac-T. L. MELLEN, cordance with our Book of Discipline.

H. W. FEATHERSTUN, Secretary. Chairman.

B. S. Rayner read the following, which was adopted as

THE REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

DEAR BRETHREN:-We believe that the general state of the Church is improving. We note with pleasure the thoroughness of consecration on the part of many of our people. If Methodism was "Christianity in earnest" in the days of Wesley, it is no less so now. Large numbers of our members are ready to suffer, to do, to dare and die, if need be, for the sake of our Lord and Master. No greater pleasure could be afforded them than that of his service. Our people are being more and more trained in the active work of the Church.

It is beautiful indeed to note the large number of our young people, including children, who pray in public and who delight in the service of the Church.

Revivals during the year have been numerous and great. As the result of these, large numbers have been gathered into the Church, and the abiding results show the thoroughness of the work.

Some immoralities, it gives us pleasure to note, are on the decrease. Of these are drunkenness, profane swearing, Sabbath breaking, gambling, theatergoing, dancing, etc. While we still to some extent suffer as the result of these,

the Church is not so much troubled with them as in former days.

We beg to call your attention to some evils that demand immediate atten-One of these is disloyalty. In some sections there is want of respect for the Church and Church authorities. This should be checked at once. In such cases let patience and gentleness and kindness and forbearance, coupled with the strongest efforts to remedy, have their perfect work, if possible; but if these fail, the evil should not be longer tolerated. Let discipline be enforced.

The circulation and reading of sensational and obscene books, periodicals and papers, together with some works of fiction, is another evil of long stand-

ing from which we suffer much. Renewed effort from pulpit, pew and press should be put forth for the arrest of this amongst our people.

We lament the fact of the existence in our bounds of social impurity, in-

cluding houses of ill-fame, with all their concomitant evils. It is time for Church and State to cry out against these. We believe that the most rigid laws should be enacted for their suppression; and in view of obtaining this, we think it would be well for this body to memorialize the next session of our State Legislature.

The Great Head of the Church sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and

ver! Amen! D. G. W. Ellis,

B. S. RAYNER, Secretary. Chairman.

A. T. Bell read the following, which was adopted as

THE REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—Your committee begs leave to report that while the extensive desecration of the Lord's Day is a fact to be deplored, yet there is a growing conviction on the subject in our own Church, whose members are paying more earnest attention to the subject, and regulating their lives

accordingly.

We deprecate and protest against the conduct of Christian people who receive their mail, read the Sunday papers, ride on the Sunday trains and make the Sunday their special day for social visiting; and we trust that our preachers will speak specifically on the subject from the pulpit, and both by precept and example endeavor to lead the membership of the Church to more consistent conduct; and we further express the earnest wish that the sessions of our Conference may be opened on such a day as will enable our brethren to be present without having to travel on the Lord's Day.

In view of the approaching session of the Legislature, we beg to offer the

following resolution:

That this Annual Conference, through its Secretary, do memorialize the Legislature to make some enactment with regard to a better observance of the Sabbath, by restricting railroad traffic as far as lies in the power of the Legislature so to do. Respectfully submitted.

A. T. Bell,

W. P. Jones, Secretary. Chairman of Committee.

D. S. Harmon read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

We your committee beg leave to make the following report:

We find that in our own State, a State well supplied with the preached Word, many people are without the Bible. Especially is this true with the poorer classes, the negro, and the foreign element. We recommend that Bibles be put in the reach of every one, and in order to do this, depositories be established at all trading points of importance.

We notice with regret that the International lesson system, while we would not say one word that would work detriment to the same, the lesson paper and quarterlies have driven the Bible from nearly all our Sunday-schools, which should not be the case. Every child should have his or her own Bible and read

the scripture lesson from the same.

The American Bible Society has undertaken the work of placing a copy of the Bible in the hands of every Sunday-school scholar in the land, and asks all

who feel an interest in the cause to help them in this great work.

May God speed the day when all our ministers and Christian workers may feel a deep interest in this cause. We call attention to the fact that the General Conference has made it the duty of the Presiding Elder to inquire "what has been done for the American Bible Society?" at each Quarterly Conference, and we your committee would recommend that he not only ask the question, but emphasize the necessity of bringing before the people, as the Discipline requires, the Bible cause, and take a collection therefor in each congregation as ordered by the General Conference.

In addition to what the American Bible Society is doing in the home field, it is doing a large work in foreign fields. It had during the past year over 400 agents and colporteurs in the foreign fields. Through these agents and col-

porteurs 735,221 copies of the Scriptures were circulated among the benighted. The whole number distributed in the home and foreign fields is 1,581,128 copies. Of these 403,434 were Bibles, 580,754 New Testaments, 595,582 portions of the Bible. From these facts it is evident that it does not cost much to furnish people with the Word of God.

We would ask the Conference to appoint, as last year, the month of October in which to present the claims of the American Bible Society, and take the collection ordered by our Discipline for this cause. Brethren, urge this cause

on all your works.

We notice with gratification the faithful work done, and earnest effort put forth, by Rev. J. W. McLaurin, agent of the American Bible Society, and urge all our pastors to assist him in every way possible in this grand work.

Respectfully. D. S. HARMON, For the Committee. J. W. McLaurin, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society,

On motion of W. L. C. Hunnicutt, Conference resolved to put an assessment of \$1,000 upon the Districts for the benefit of the American Bible Society, distributed as follows, viz:

Jackson District, \$168; Vicksburg District, \$168; Meridian District, \$168; Brookhaven District, \$168; Sea Shore District, \$103; Natchez District, \$78; Brookhaven District, \$78; Enterprise District, \$69.

Question First was called: Who are admitted on trial? The following be-

ing duly recommended by their respective districts, and having stood approved examinations, were admitted, viz: Robert Lee Phillips, from the Enterprise District; Robert A. Sibley, Jr., Brandon District; Thomas B. Cottrell, Jackson District; George M. Hull, Natchez District.

Question Fifth was called: Who are re-admitted? Answer: None.

Question Sixth: Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Answer: None.

Question Second was resumed: Who remain on trial? George W. Huff having stood an approved examination, was passed and advanced to the class of the second year.

Question Sixteen was resumed: Who are located this year? W. D. Domi-

nick, at his own request.

The Committee on Conference Relations made their report, which was adopted.

Question Seventeen: Who are supernumerary? J. W. Sandell, J. M. Cow-

an, J. S. Parker.

Question Eighteen: Who are superannuated? T. Price, D. Merchant, A. B. Nicholson, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, V. V. Boone.

It was resolved to meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock. T. L. Mellen read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT OF CONFERENCE ENDOWMENT.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

The Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, would report:

That as heretofore reported and as shown by the report of R. J. Jones, Treasurer to the Trustees, we have on hand:

Bonds, at 8 per cent. interest......\$1,400 00 Bonds, at 6 per cent. interest..... 400 00 Barton Notes (Van Houten Trust Fund)..... 625 00

\$2,425 00 Uninvested at present— 490 00 Interest from 8 per cent. bonds..... 112 00

Interest from 6 per cent. bonds. Interest from Barton Notes.	24 00 37 50
Interest from Darton Notes	31 90

721 48

Total funds, invested and uninvested...... \$3,146 48 The uninvested funds will soon be securely invested, bringing a fair rate of interest.

We recommend the continuance of the same Trustees and officers, to-wit: T. L. Mellen, President; B. F. Jones, Vice President; C. G. Andrews, Secretary: R. J. Jones, Treasurer; B. S. Rayner, J. P. Drake and John W. Chambers.

C. G. Andrews, Secretary. T. L. Mellen, President. Conference united in singing the Long Metre Doxology, and was adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

SIXTH DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 3 p.m., Bishop Duncau in the chair. Religious services were conducted by T. B. Holloman.

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The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

R. Bradley read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your committee has carefully examined the District Conference Records of Vicksburg, Meridian, Brookhaven, Enterprise, Natchez, Sea Shore and Brandon Districts.

The records of Vicksburg, Meridian, Enterprise and Brookhaven are neatly

and correctly kept.

The writing of the Natchez District Conference record is plain and distinct. It contains a few errors. Also the book is a ledger.

We consider Brookhaven a model as to form, plainuess and neatness.

The record of the Sea Shore District is considerably blurred. The name of O. Switzer appears upon the roll both as a clerical and lay member of the Conference. The record is in type-writing, on separate paper and pasted in the book. This is not approved by your committee.

The record of the Brandon District is well kept, but they have no book.

They send up to be examined a manuscript.

The record of the Jackson District has not been presented to the committee. The Secretary informs us that it is in excellent condition, well arranged and so on.

Your committee would recommend that Natchez and Brandon Districts W. W. MORSE, secure a District Conference Record.

R. Bradley, Secretary. Chairman.

H. G. Hawkins read the following, which was corrected and adopted as

REPORT OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—In the beginning of this report we wish to advertise the fact that this Board has ample funds for aiding needy Sundayschools. If there are openings for mission schools in the cities and poor country places, this Board is ready to pay for literature and Bibles needed to organize and run the same. The Board is also prepared to a sist schools in obtaining libraries.

We organized before the close of our last Conference in Meridian by elect-

ing Rev. J. Wilson Brown, President; Mr. John A. Guice, Treasurer, and Rev. H. G. Hawkins, Secretary. These three officers were afterwards constituted the Executive Committee.

There have come into our Treasury from all sources during the year \$814.61,

of which \$282.89 was brought over from last year, and \$531.72 was from the Children's Day collections in May.

The Board has paid out \$43.23 each to the General Board of Education and the General Sunday-School Board, this being the per cent. due them from the collections of 1894, and \$53.17 to each of these Boards for 1895. For supplying Sunday-schools with lesson literature, Bibles and libraries, we have expended

\$177.32; and we have paid \$33.70 for publishing the minutes of 1895.

There remains in the Treasury \$410.79. The Board has decided to use this for supplying the needy Sunday-schools of 1896, and the Children's Day funds of 1896 will be used to supply the schools of 1897. Early in the year we will communicate with the pastors upon the needs of their charges. In the meantime those desiring immediate help should make application to Rev. J. Wilson Brown.

STATISTICS.—The grand total of the great Sunday-school army of Southern Methodism in 1894 was 905,582. The Mississippi Conference Division of this grand army numbered 28,440, or about one thirty-second of the whole. this number is decreased this year in the Mississippi Conference by 202. number of schools this year is 350, or 9 more than last year.

The statistics of the Conference show that \$387.92 Children's Day money

was collected. Of this our Treasurer reports \$531.72 as paid to him.

The amount collected by Sunday-schools for missions is \$1,097.

Mission Schools.—Paragraph 238 of our Discipline reads: "Let Sundayschools be formed in all our congregations where ten persons can be collected for that purpose, and let mission schools be formed wherever practicable." Pastors should remember that the mission school properly conducted will open

the way for a new congregation.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LIBRARIES.—We learn from a letter addressed by W. D. Kirkland, Sunday-School Editor, to this Conference, that a committee has been appointed to select from the publications of other houses a list of choice books suitable for both the home and Sunday-school Library. As soon as this work is completed a new and enlarged edition of our Sunday-school catalogue will be issued. This new catalogue will contain select lists of other Sunday-school requisites besides books.

We are gratified to know that many of our superintendents and teachers are inquiring for the best methods, and not a few of our teachers are endeavoring to qualify themselves more thoroughly for their noble work. Dr. W. D. Kirkland, Nashville, Tenn., wishes to get the postoffice address of every Superintendent, in order that he may bring the work in touch with every worker in

the field.

We close this report by urging that pastors hold Children's Day and that they see to it that the money collected on that occasion be promptly forwarded to the Treasurer of the Board, Mr. John A. Guice, Natchez, Miss., without deducting the per cents due the two General Boards. Delay and disobedience here puts us in everlasting confusion.

H. G. HAWKINS, Secretary. here puts us in everlasting confusion.

R. W. Bailey read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT ON EPWORTH LEAGUE.

To the Mississippi Annual Conference:

Brethren:—Your Epworth League Board submits its report as follows:

During the year advance has been made in the Epworth League work; but our opportunities and obligations have not been nearly met. We should work to the end of having established in every pastoral charge at least as many

Leagues as there are Sunday-schools.

The State Conference of Epworth Leagues at Grenada accomplished great things for the advancement of this interest of the Church, especially within the bounds of the North Mississippi Conference. It is a matter of regret that our Conference did not send more delegates, and derive greater benefit from the session. Our Second Annual State Conference is to be held within the

bounds of your own work; and we urgently request that all our pastors do their utmost to make it a means of great usefulness through the Epworth League

department of our Master's work.

We request permission from the Conference to raise from the Leagues of our Conference, by voluntary contributions, the sum of one hundred dollars to help pay the expenses of our Second Annual State Epworth League Conference.

We also request permission to put into the field, with no salary, an organizer of Leagues, who shall be directly responsible to the Executive Committee

of this Board, and through it to the Annual Conference.

We urge every pastor in the Conference to subscribe for and read the Epworth Era,

We recommend that one layman from every district be appointed on nomi-

nation of the Presiding Elders to membership on our Board.

We recommend to the Leagues of our Conference, through the pastors, that they co-operate to the full measure of their ability in the Methodist Orphans' Home movement.

J. W. Crisler,

R. W. BAILEY, Secretary.

President.

It was resolved that the Presiding Elders be instructed to appoint an auditing committee to audit the reports of the preachers.

A. F. Watkins read the following, which was adopted as the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Board of Education begs leave to make the following report of the several institutions of learning under our control, viz:

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

The present session up to date has been the most satisfactory in the history of this institution. The students are applying themselves with greater diligence and success than at any previous session. There have been enrolled to date 155 students, of which number 21 are preparing for the ministry, and 30 are the sons of ministers. About eighty per cent. of the student body are professed Christ jans, and a gratifying revival influence pervades the institution. During the past Conference year, some valuable and much needed improvements have been made. More than \$1,000 have been expended for the equipment of the Department of the Natural Sciences, a gymnasium has been built and equipped at a cost of about \$1,000, and the boarding capacity has been enlarged by the erection of the J. H. Brooks Memorial cottage. Our attention has been called to the necessity for increased facilities. An additional building is greatly needed, and about \$1,000 should be expended at once for the furnishing of lecture rooms and for general improvements about the grounds. To meet these and other demands we join with the college officials in requesting the appointment of Rev. T. S. West as financial agent for the college for the ensuing year.

We would again call attention to Major Millsaps' generous proposition to duplicate any amount of money given to the college up to \$25,000. In view of the fact that the fees have been placed so low as to bring the advantages of the institution within the reach of the poorest boy in the State, it is of great importance that the collection from the Conference should be paid in full, and we commend the claims of this institution to the earnest consideration of this body.

WHITWORTH FEMALE COLLEGE.

This honored institution is meeting with gratifying support at the hands of our people. The number of pupils enrolled during the present session is much larger than last year—the number of boarders being 66, while the total enrollment reaches 110, with hopeful prospects of an increased attendance. We quote the following from the report of the Board of Trustees presented to us;

"We are gratified to say the college is advancing. The condition of the property is materially better than at the time Rev. J. W. Chambers took charge of it. He has displayed good judgment in the business management of the college, and improvements in the condition of the property have been constant

and substantial. There are, however, some important improvements urgently needed, amounting in the aggregate to about \$4,000, in consideration of which we suggest that Rev. J. W. Chambers, whose re-appointment as President of the institution we recommend, be also appointed financial agent, charged with the duty of presenting the needs of the college to our people. We appreciate very highly its corps of instructors, and the facilities it offers for the higher education of our young women."

EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

It is gratifying to report that this college, under the able management of Rev. T. B. Holloman and faculty, is in a more flourishing condition as to patronage than for several years. The college property is valued at over \$20,000, and but for an indebtedness amounting to about \$7,000 by which its management is embarrassed, this institution would be in a position to do a great deal more good for Methodism in East Mississippi. We recommend the re-appointment of Rev. T. B. Holloman to the Presidency of the college, and to its financial agency, pledging ourselves to co-operate with him and his Board of Trustees in their efforts to liquidate this indebtedness, recognizing as we do the necessity to maintain an institution of learning in that section of our Conference.

PORT GIBSON FEMALE COLLEGE,

Under its present efficient and energetic management, is much improved over its past session. It has seven teachers, and its register shows the following enrollment of pupils: Music, 19; art, 17; voice culture, 11; literary, 40. While these figures are small, the increase in the literary department from 26 last year, shows the esteem in which the college is held in its own community. While other schools are more widely known, none are doing better work; and had its management but the means, they would soon put it on a footing, and give it a representation equal to the best.

EDWARD M'GEHEE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS

Has opened with finer prospects than for many years. It has about 30 boarders, with a total enrollment of between 80 and 90 students. Its faculty is well equipped, and is impressing itself on the community. This school had the misfortune in the early part of the present session to lose by fire the old and historic building which was deeded to the church by Judge Edward McGehee, but the Trustees took immediate and active measures looking to its re-building. Plans and specifications are now in hand for the erection of a handsome building, heated by furnace, and modern in its architecture. This building will cost, when completed, not less than \$8,000, \$6,000 of which are now already in hand. We commend the Trustees for their energetic efforts in this particular, and heartly join them in asking that an agent be appointed to aid them in the work in hand.

PAINE AND LANE INSTITUTES.

We think our church should never become unmindful of its obligations to the Paine and Lane Institutes, which appeal to us not only on the grounds of the needs of this lately emancipated people, but also by virtue of the peculiar relations which these institutions sustain to our church. In view of which we heartily commend to the consideration of our Conference the request for the special gift of \$30,000 to which their report refers, and would emphasize the importance of the full amount assessed to this conference for their benefit.

We would call the attention of this Conference to the importance of the organization of Conference, District, and Local Boards of Education, as provided for in Report No. 2 of the General Board of Education, which we herewith insert as a part of our report, and in accordance with the provisions of which we recommend that Rev. B. F. Lewis be elected Conference Secretary,

and Rev. M. L. Burton Conference Treasurer.

REPORT NO. 2 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The action of the last General Conference in constituting a Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the election of a Secre-

tary of Education, we regard as eminently wise. In order to complete the organization in our own Conference, and to facilitate the work in behalf of this important interest of the Church, your Board recommends the adoption of

This Conference shall elect a Conference Secretary of Education, to serve without salary, to whom the several District Boards of Education, hereinafter provided for, shall report immediately upon their organization. be the duty of the Conference Secretary of Education to see that the District Boards be furnished with catalogues of all our institutions and with all information necessary to the prosecution of the work of the District Boards, and to keep a roster of teachers desiring situations, and to put them in correspondence with the Boards applying for teachers.

This Conference shall also elect a Conference Treasurer of Education, to whol all moneys belonging to the Conference Board of Education shall be paid, and who shall pay out of the said funds the expenses of the Secretary of the Boar I for stationery, printing, etc., and the traveling expenses of members of the District Boards when in the discharge of their duties as members of the Board, and shall present an itemized statement of all moneys received and disbursed by him to the Annual Conference Board of Education, with vouchers

therefor.

II. DISTRICT BOARDS OF EDUCATION.—Every District Conference shall elect, for a term of two years, four laymen, and the Presiding Elder shall appoint three preachers from his District Board of Education. The Presiding Elder shall be ex-officio a member of the Board, and he shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring in the Board, in the interim of District Conferences. He shall call a meeting of the Board for his District in the month of April, which shall effect its own organization and report the same to the Conference Secretary of Education; and lay such plans for their work in the District as in their judgment are advisable. The four laymen upon this Board shall be ex-officio members of the District Conference. It shall be the duty of the District Boards of Education:

1. To secure through the Local Boards of Education, hereinafter provided for, such facts concerning the number of children and young people of our own Church of school age, and the facilities for education within their bounds as shall enable the Church to know the needs of our people; to secure from the Secretary the names of such teachers as desire situations, and to do all in their power to supply the local needs within the bounds of their several Districts: to procure the names and addresses of such young people as may be induced to attend our Academies and Colleges, and to report them to the Faculties; personally to aid the agents of our schools in whatever way possible when canvassing within their bounds: and to report in writing to the District Conference the work of the Board for the year, together with the statistics before mentioned.

No student for our ministry shall be admitted to our Academies or Colleges as a beneficiary student, who has not been recommended to the District Board by the Local Board of the charge in which he holds his membership, and by the District Board to the Faculty of the institution which he proposes to When such application is made and approved, the District Boards shall diligently enquire what amount of aid is absolutely necessary for such applicant, to meet expenses other than tuition, and shall inform the Local Boards of the amounts expected from them; and the Local Boards shall raise the amounts in such way as they shall deem best; and the said amounts, when raised, shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Education, with information for whom it is to be used.

No school shall be recommended to the patronage of our people by the District Conferences that has not secured the approval of the District Board

of Education.

III. LOCAL BOARDS.—In each pastoral charge there shall be a Local Board of Education, consisting of three members, to be elected by the Quarterly Conference upon nomination of the preacher in charge. It shall be the duty of the Local Boards:

To co-operate with the pastor and Sunday-school superintendent in ar-

ranging and executing a programme for Children's Day.

To secure, as far as possible, the statistics called for by the District Board of Education.

To aid the representatives of our educational institutions in the can-

vass of the charge.

4. To recommend to the District Board of Education such persons as they approve as beneficiary candidates for the ministry, who are unable to provide for their own education, and to raise the amount laid upon the charge by the District Board.

To report in writing to the District Board of Education the statistics gathered by them of the educational work within the pastoral charges, together with the number of students attending our institutions learning from their

In order to carry this organizatian into effect at once, we recommend that the Presiding Elders be requested now to appoint four laymen in each of their several districts, to act until the meeting of the District Conference, and that the Presiding Elders to be appointed add to these, immediately after the appointments are made, the clerical members necessary to complete the Board.

In order further to forward the work of education within our Conference, we recommend that the Annual Conference Board of Education be elected to

serve for four years.

The Board would recommend most heartily the Ministerial Aid Association of our Conference, which is doing a much needed work in the education of

young men preparing for the ministry.

At the last session of our Conference, it was resolved to divide the Conference collection for education on the basis of \$1,000 for Millsaps College, \$500 for Paine and Lane Institutes, and \$272 for the General Board. Upon this basis, the amount collected during the year (\$934.06) was divided as follows: Millsaps College, \$508; Paine and Lane Institutes, \$254; the General Board, \$138, and \$33.77 for printing the Conference minutes. We recommend that the same assessment be levied upon the Conference for the ensuing year, \$1,772, to be divided as follows: \$1,200 to Millsaps College, \$300 to Paine and Lane Institutes and \$272 to the General Board; this assessment to be placed on the several pastoral charges on the basis of the assessment for Bishops.

We offer the following, viz:

Resolved 1st. That in view of the excellence of our institutions of learning in this State, we urge upon our people the importance of patronizing them in preference to others.

Resolved 2d. That we will cordially co-operate with the General Board of Education in their plans submitted to the Conferences, and with the Presidents

and Agents of our Colleges. Respectfully submitted,

B. F. Lewis. Secretary.

A. F. Watkins, Chairman.

Dr. W. B. Murrah, president of Millsaps College, J. W. Chambers, president of Whitsworth Female College, T. B. Holloman, president of East Mississippi Female College spoke in the interest of their respective institutions. H. M. Ellis spoke about the Port Gibson Female College.

The following was read and adopted as the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Brethren:—We have much to encourage us in the fight against the

greatest evil of the age—the accursed drink.

The friends of temperance have made a good and successful fight. Victory has crowned our efforts until Mississippi is well nigh free from the rum traffic. God has worked in us to will and to do, until you only have to hold your ear to hear the sound of triumph all along the line of effort against the curse of liquor. Let us never call a halt nor cease our efforts until the rum fiend is gone forever. We bless God for every agency that is working to this end.

Your Committee, believing that local option has accomplished this great work in the State and that the time has come for an advance movement request this body of one hundred and fifty preachers, representing a membership of 40,000 to memorialize the next Legislature of our State to pass a law prohibiting the making or selling of alcoholic and other spirituous liquors in the State of Mississippi. We also recommend the pure juice of the grape in the communion service. L. P. MEADOR, Chairman.

R. Seby, Secretary.

L. Mellen introduced the following resolutions, which were added to by

H. M. Ellis, and adopted:

Resolved 1st. That our cordial thanks are due and are hereby tendered the good people of Yazoo City for their generous hospitality, and upon them

we do invoke material and spiritual blessings.

2d. That we make grateful acknowledgment to the management of the Illinois Central, Mobile & Ohio, Alabama & Vicksburg, Louisville & Nashville and New Orleans & Northeastern Railroads, for great kindness and courtesy to members of this Conference.

That we appreciate the courtesies shown by the local as well as the

New Orleans press.

That our cordial appreciation is hereby tendered to the pastors and congregations of the Presbyterian, Baptist, M. E., and A. M. E. Churches for their Christian courtesy in the use of their houses of worship.

T. L. MELLEN, T. B. HOLLOMAN.

J. P. Drake read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT OF BOARD \mathbf{OF} MISSIONS.

We have much to stimulate our zeal and strengthen our faith. The same hand which was lifted in blessing over the Disciples on Olivet as the Savior's voice said, "Lo, I am with you alway," has continued to beckon us to the uttermost parts of the earth. New fields are opening, and fresh Macedonian cries reach our ears. From Corea and from Cuba the "come over and help us" sounds plainly and plaintively. Shall we not answer these cries for help?

It gives us joy to learn of brightening prospects for our General Board.

One more strong and united push at the wheels will carry our chariot over this obstructive hill—the debt which has hampered our efforts for a few years past. The words of encouragement reaching us from our Board Secretaries, Morrison and Lambuth, do our souls good. Yet their commendations of our efforts humble us with a sense of duty but partially performed. We ought to have done much more in quickening the missionary conscience among our people. us redouble our efforts during the next year. Let us pray and preach and talk for missinos till all men shall recognize in us real lovers of our whole race-Christlike. Let our motto indeed be "a missionary periodical in every house and a missionary contribution from every man, woman and child among our people." They cannot be true and living epistles until these things be. The periodicals issued by our Parent Board and the Woman's Board are all of high grade—beautiful in mechanical make-up and good indeed unto edification. None can regularly read these magazines and papers without becoming fired with fresh zeal for this holy war.

Within the bounds of our Conference this year the contributions have not kept pace with the rising tide of prosperity. We are made glad by the success of efforts by our Dr. C. G. Andrews in providing for the equipment of Dr. J. B. Fearn for the field in China, and for the good start, under God, he has made over there. We ought to show our appreciation of how God has honored us herein, by readily raising means to sustain him from year to year as our own The "Lambuth Training School;" at Kobe, Japan, is yet straitened for a place in which to carry forward its grand work of educating Christian mothers for Japanese homes. We only lack \$300 to secure this permanent an suitable monument to the heroic J. W. Lambuth. It will also fulfill the dearest desire of our own dear sister-his faithful wife and widow. Brethren, we At this time let us provide the small amount yet lacking. must not fail herein!

Our W. F. M. Society still moves on under the "Pillar of fire and cloud." Their example of devout methods in advancing their cause and holding their meetings should stir us to like devotion. The last annual report of their Treasurer to March, '95, gives \$9,949.21 as raised on regular dues. Besides this, they are educating a consecrated young Mississippi woman at E. M. F. College for

work in the foreign field. Local societies are also supporting Mexican and other girls at our mission schools. We would commend and emulate their zeal and business methods. Let us also "help these women." They need and greatly appreciate our aid. Cordially let us give it.

Our domestic work has accomplished much, as statistical report to be printed 95 20 Indian work..... Lambuth Training School 50 00

Apportionment of the missionary assessments to the districts:

	Domestic.	Foreign.
Brookhaven District	\$ 550	\$1360
Jackson District	540	1310
Vicksburg District	540	1310
Natchez District	400	1035
Meridian District	400	1080
Sea Shore District	414	1000
Enterprise District	414	1000
Brandon District	378	955
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A. D. Miller, Hermanville. J. P. DRAKE, Secretary.

The Treasurer of the Board of Missions submitted his report as follows:

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Natchez District	597 95	244 35
Enterprise District	. 583 30	262 40
Brandon District	. 578 90	235 40
Meridian District	638 70	250 90
Jackson District	818 70	365 65
Vicksburg District	. 991 40	368 25
	\$6049 55	\$2486 95
Kobe School.	.\$ 50 00	
Anniversary collection	. 55 00	\$ 55 00
Fearn Mission	976 00	
Totals	.\$7130 55	\$2541 95

T. S. West, Treasurer. J. P. Drake read the following resolutions which were adopted.

Resolved 1st. We urge early and full collections for both Foreign and Domestic work.

2d. We ask for atleast one special day at each District Conference (or as much thereof as needful) for stressing the subject of Missions and that a suitable program for each be prepared, in advance, by the Presiding Elder (or his appointee) with due announcement made.

3d. We bespeak the interest of every Sunday School Superintendent and worker in the organization of all our schools into Missionary societies, as the Discipline directs—also in putting "The World for Christ" into every home.

4th. Our "Review of Missions" is equal to any similar publication in the land and ought to be in every home—also "The Woman's Missionary Advocate."

5th. We commend Rev. A. D. Miller as our authorized agent to collect funds for our Indian Mission. The early payment for any land among them

is important.

The following was adopted:

Whereas, There has prevailed for many years in our beloved State a spirit

of lawlessness manifesting itself in many localities by what is commonly known

as "mob" or "lynch" law, and,

Whereas, We now have a good jury system, able judges and officers sufficient to enforce the law, there being, therefore, no excuse whatever for said lawlessness. Therefore be it

Resolved 1st. That we condemn mob law in any form or under any circum-

stances whatever.

2d. That we memorialize and respectfully urge the Legislature soon to

assemble to enact a stringent law against said lawlessness.

3d. That each of our preachers preach on the subject of the enforcement of law especially condemning mob violence. F. M. KEEN, F. M. KEEN, T. L. MELLEN,

JAMES G. SIBLEY.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Conference do convey to our brother A. B. Nicholson, and to Brother D. Merchant, an expression of our regrets at their absence from our session, our sympathy in this season of bodily affliction and our prayers for the blessings of our God upon them and their wives.

T. L. MELLEN, J. A. B. Jones.

Question Forty: Where shall the next session of Conference be held? Port Gibson, Jackson and Yazoo City were nominated.

Port Gibson was unanimously chosen. The Bishop announced the following as

DIRECTORS OF THE ORPHANS' HOME.

R. J. Jones, A. F. Watkins, M. L. Burton J. S. Turner, W. A. Gunning. The Bishop announced the following as

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

CLERICAL—H. L. Norton, R. Selby, B. S. Rayner, W. W. Simmons, D. P. Bradford, R. S. Woodward, H. D. Howell, J. W. Chambers, LAY—H. G. Godbold, W. A. Gunning, W.G. Paxton, Richard F. Reed, W. M. Thornton, D. S. Harmon, J. Stevens, D. W. Heidleberg.

The following was adopted:

CHILDREN'S DAY MONEY.

Resolved, That those preachers in charge who collected money on Children's Day and did not pay the same to the Sunday-school Board or Treasurer be and are hereby requested to enquire after and report said money to the proper Treasurer. W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, J. P. DRAKE.

The following was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be requested to appoint an Auditing Committee to audit the reports of the preachers.

John W. Chambers, JOHN W. CHAMBERS, J. M. Pugh.

The Minutes of the present session were read and approved. Hymn 231 was sung. C. G. Andrews led in prayer. The Bishop addressed the Conference, and in answer to Question Forty-one, Where are the preachers stationed this year? read the appended list of appointments, after which the Conference adourned sine die with the benediction by Bishop Duncan:

LIST OF APPOINTMENTS.

The figures show the number of years served consecutively in the same appointment. VICKSBURG DISTRICT-J. M. WEEMS, P. E. 3

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	Brookhaven Station	AdamsB. H. Rawls 1 McComb CityJ. M. Morse 2 Magnoda and OsykaE. F. Edgar 2—J. W. Sandell, Sup 3
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CONDENSED MINUTES.

1. Who are admitted on trial? Robert Lee Phillips, Robert A. Sibley, Jr. Thomas B. Cottrell, George M. Hull.

2. Who remain on trial? Clarence M. Crossley, John H. Foreman, E. E.

Langford, George W. Huff.

3. Who are discontinued? Albert C. Burt, at his own request.
4. Who are admitted into full connection? Thomas Jones Norsworthy,
Matthew J. Miller, Elbert T. Breland, Charles F. Emery, A. Harvey Shannon,
John D. Ellis, Marvin McKendree Black, Thomas H. King, Robert E. Rutledge, Waldo W. Moore, William M. Williams.

Who are re-admitted? None.

Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Who are the Deacons of one year? Harrison B. Vandenberg, Henry W. Van Hook, Robert H. Barr, Adolphus T. Bell, William Job Roberts, Henry G. Hawkins, James G. Cammack. The following were continued in the class of the third year, viz: Paul D. Hardin, Henry C. Brown, Hiram B. Trevillion.

8. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons? Thomas Jones Norsworthy, Charles F. Emery, William M. Williams. The following were passed in Deacons orders, viz: Matthew J. Miller, Elbert T. Breland, A. Harvey Shannon, John D. Ellis, Marvin McKendree Black, Thomas H. King, Robert E. Rutledge, Waldo W. Moore. The following were continued in the class of the second year: John C. Ellis, Fletcher B. Ormond. In Deacons orders: Daniel Scarborough.

What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons? T. J. Norsworthy, C.

F. Emery, W. M. Williams.

10. What local preachers are elected Deacons? Charles W. Huff, George

P. McKeown, Needham E. Alford, John D. Warner.

11. What local preachers are ordained Deacons? C. W. Huff, N. E. Alford. 12. What traveling preachers are elected Elders? John W. Tinnin, G. H. Thompson, W. T. Griffin, C. C. Evans, B. W. Lewis, W. J. Dawson, M. L. White, J. T. Abney.

What traveling preachers are ordained Elders? John W. Tinnin, G. H. Thompson, W. T. Griffin, C. C. Evans, B. W. Lewis, W. J. Dawson, M. L.

White, J. T. Abney.

14. What local preachers are elected Elders? None.

15. What local preachers are ordained Elders? None.

16. Who are located this year? W. W. Hopper, W. D. Dominick, at their own request.

Who are supernumerary? J. W. Saudell, J. M. Cowan, J. S. Parker. Who are superannuated? T. Price, D. Merchant, A. B. Nicholson, H. 17. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, G. Bracroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, V. V. Boone. 19. What preachers have died during the year? D. A. Little, J. A. Ellison,

20. Are all preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over one by one and their characters were examined and passed.

What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference? Preachers, 144; white mem-

bers, 36,123. 22. Ho How many infants have been baptized during the year? 976. 23.

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How many adults have been baptized during the year? 809. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 32. What is the number of Epworth League members? 932. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 350. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,993. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 16,473. 27. 28.

29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,000.

30. What has been collected on the foregoing and how has it been supplied? Pastoral charges, \$445.70; Calvin Bequest Fund, \$27; the Publishing House, \$759; Mrs. Henderson, \$500. amount, \$5,737.70.

What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$8,130.55; domes-31. tic, \$2,568.20.

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What has been contributed for Church extension? \$1,868.31. What has been done for the American Bible Society? Collected, \$281.45. 33. What has been contributed for the support of the Presiding Elders and preachers in charge? Presiding Elders, \$8,485.47; preachers in charge, \$56,148.23. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$2,478.

What is the number of Societies and the number and estimated value 36. of Church edifices? Societies, 368; Church edifices, 394; value, \$3,987.85.

37. What is the number of pastoral charges and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 121; parsonages, 100; value, \$88,102.

38. What is the number and value of District parsonages? Number, 4;

value, \$5,250.

39. What are the educational statistics?

Millsaps College—Teachers, 9: pupils, 155: value of buildings, \$50,000: endowment, \$107,000.

Whitworth Female College-Teachers, 10; pupils, 110; value of buildings,

\$75,000.

East Mississippi Female College—Teachers, 8; pupils, 114; value of property, \$25,000; no endowment.

Port Gibson Female College—Teachers, 7; pupils, music, 19; art, 17; voice

culture, 11; literary, 40.

Edward McGehee College for Girls—No report.

Where shall the next session of Conference be held? Port Gibson.

Where are the preachers stationed this year? See list.

COMMITTEES.

BOARD OF EDUCATION—A. F. Watkins, R. W. Millsaps, C. G. Andrews, H. C. Mounger, B. F. Lewis, H. B. McGehee, M. L. Burton, J. S. Sexton, J. T. Nicholson, G. B. Harper, I. W. Cooper, W. H. Ormond, I. L. Peebles, C. P. Weatherby, T. W. Adams, G. W. Ellis.
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BOARD OF MISSIONS—T. S. West, Peter James, J. P. Drake, W. H. Scudder, W. B. Lewis, P. A. Richardson, B. F. Jones, G. W. Burton, B. H. Rawls, Irvin Miller, W. L. C. Hunmicutt, L. P. Brown, J. V. Penn, W. S. Davis, W. G. Forsythe, J. A. McLeod.
BOARD OF COLPORTAGE—H. W. Featherstun, T. L. Mellen, H. M. Ellis, J. N. Tucker, G. H. Thompson, R. Selby, R. F. Witt, M. L. White.
SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD—C. A. Powell, R. L. Bennett, W. M. Stevens, I. O. Loyd, J. W. Brown, John A. Guice, H. P. Lewis, C. A. Redding, W. W. Cammack, A. J. Brown, H. G. Hawkins, J. B. Chatfield, F. M. Keen, S. H. Terrall, J. G. Sibley, E. W. Lampton.
EPWORTH LEAGUE—J. W. Crisler, J. G. Cammack, W. L. Linfield, R. W. Bailey, W. J. Roberts, H. W. Van Hook, H. B. Trevillion, R. B. Downer.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION-

ADMISSION ON TRIAL—W. B. Lewis, T. S. West, T. B. Holloman. FIRST YEAR—R. J. Jones, J. W. Chambers, A. F. Watkins. SECOND YEAR—I. W. Cooper, B. F. Lewis, R. W. Bailey. THIRD YEAR—E. H. Mounger, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, J. M. Weems. FOURTH YEAR—H. W. Featherstun, L. Carley, H. M. Ellis,



STATISTICAL REPORT.



MEMBERSHIPS, BAPTISMS AND CHURCH PROPERTY, MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE, 1895.

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NAME OF CHARGE.	Local Preachers.	White Members.	Colored M'mb'rs	Total Members this year	Total Members last year	Additions by prof. of faith	Addions by certificate etc	Removals, death, certificate, etc.	Infants baptized,	Adults baptized.	No. Societies	No. Churches	Value of Churches	No. Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages	Value of District Parsonages	Value of other Church prop'ty	Money expended for Chirc's and Parsonages
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NAME OF CHARGE.	Number of local preachers	Number of white members	Total members this year	Total mem- bers last year	Additions on pro- fession of faith.	Additions by certificate, etc	Removals.death, certificate, etc	Infants Baptized	Adults Baptized	No. of Societies in the Charge	Number of Churches	Value of Churches	Number of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Value of District Parsonages, if any	Value of other Church Property	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages
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NAME OF DISTRICT.	Number of local preachers	Number of white members	Total members.	Total mem- bers last year	Additions on pro- fession of faith	Additions by cer- tificate, etc	Removals.death	Infants Baptized	Adults Baptized	No. of Societies in the Charge.	Number of Churches	Value of Churches	Number of Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Value of District Parsonages, if any	Value of other ('hurch Property	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages
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South Warren Edwards Bolton.	75 00 100 00 100 00	50 35 81 00	600 00 800 00	402 50 648 00	10 00 14 00	14 00 10 00 14 00	56_00 40_00 56_00	28 00 40 00 56 00	84 00 60 00 84 00		31 00 23 00 31 00		31 00 23 00 31 00	7 00 14 00 31 00	16 00 12 00 16 00		2 00	18 25 79 90	589 95 598 10
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Westville	51 00	47 30	400 00	371 00		6 00	28 60	20 00	41 40	27 35	16 20	11 00	12 00	8 00	7 80				494 30
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Homewood	60 00	23 50		132 69	8 00	8 00	32 60	4 20	48 60	4 00	19 20	2 50	13 50	7 65	9 00				177 34
Montrose	101 30	52 10	600 00	308 74	12 00	12 00	48 60	40 00	72 60	50 00	29 20	20 00	20 00	20 00	14 50	3 00			699 00
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Rose Hill	100 00		650 00	515 30	15 00	14 35	50 00	40 00	80 00	70 00	35 00	15 00	20 00	10 00	15 00	15 00			1063 90
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Lauderdale	75 00	62 00		454 20		15 00	50 00	30 00	80 00	20 00	35 00	15 00	25 00	5 00	15 00	5 00			770 00
Marion	60 00	49 00		356 75		11 05	45 00	20 00	60 00	26 00	30 00	13 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	4 00		657 50	1151 30
North Kemper Neshoba	40 00 65 00			155 00 313 90		8 35	25 00	4 00	45 00	10 00 24 70	20 00	4 70	15 00	3 40	7 50 15 00	1 10 5 85			224 08
Linwood.	60 00	45 00		225 15		10 00 10 00	40 00 35 00		65 00 50 00	10 00	25 00	7 70 8 75	15 00 15 00	5 85 1 00	10 00	1 00		19 20	430 05 390 60
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BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

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	Martinsville	40 00	34 00	200 00	164 77	6 00	6 00	24 00	15 00	38 00	20 00	15 00		13 00	6 00					272 85	
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	Gallman	65 00	52 00	00 003			10 00	39 00				24 00		$22 \ 00$	10 00	12 00				673 00	
	Crystal Springs	115 00	115 00	90 00	800 00	17 00	17 00	66 00	66 00	105 00	105 00	40 00		38 00	38 00		16 00		796 65		
	Pleasant Grove	70 00	44 05	570 00	324 00	10 00	8 60	42 00	11 00	65 00		26 00		24 00	1 80	13 00				403 70	
	China Grove	75 00	75, 00	500 00	550 00	11 00	11 00	45 00	45 00			28 00		25 00	10 00				35 00	729 85	
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	Magnolia and Osyka	95 00	95 00	600 00			14 00	57 00				35 00		32 00	16 00	17 00			1		
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	Whitestown	40 00	40 00	292 00	292 00	6 00	6 00	24 00	24 00	38 00	38 00	15 00	15 00	13 00	13 00	7 00	7 00		16 50	668 75	
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EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS, MISSIS-SIPPI CONFERENCE, 1895.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

VI	CKS	BUI	RG	DIS	TRIC	т.				
NAME OF CHARGE.	No. Epworth Leagues	No. Epworth League Membs	Number of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Amount Collected for Sunday Schools	Amount Collected for Missions	Amount Collected on Childern's Day	Amount Collected for Other Objects	Total Amount Raised
Vicksburg—Crawford Street. South Vicksburg. Rolling Fork and C. Mayersville Warren Mt. Olivet South Warren Edwards Bolton. Utiea. Rocky Springs. Hermanville Harriston. Port Gibson	1	35 22 13 20	2 1 5 2 4 6 3 2 2 5 3 5 1	31 10 24 5 21 28 10 16 13 35 14 17 14	299 67 24 177 200 44 120 120 87 175 120 137 109	\$ 111 08 27 24 70 00 5 60 14 00 50 00 5 00 38 00 55 12 24 35 13 00 6 47 54 80	3 00 6 75 13 75	4 00 6 10 21 70 6 00 21 05 7 50 18 40 5 55	50 44 35 5 00 35 12 50	\$ 309 00 51 04 76 10 6 10 80 05 36 00 29 05 44 75 60 00 32 62 56 85 31 05 6 47 117 95
Total Total last year	3	90 55	44 42	246 287	1679 2162	\$ 479 66 572 56	\$ 161 05 286 57	\$114 06 180 90		\$ 937 83 1183 54
Increase	1	35	2	41	483	92 90	125 52	5 16	106 65	245 71
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Jackson—First Church Jackson—Capitol Street Fannin Terry. Fiora Madison Canton Sharon Yazoo City. Benton Yazoo Circuit Tranquil Silver Creek Lake City and Lodi Jackson Circuit Camden	1	75	1 5 6 3 3 1 1 1 1 5 3 4 1 1 	28 9 20 9 11 17 25 9 19 6 15	230 145 100 212 71 135 40 75 159 205 84 145 42 65	52 00 17 00 27 95 6 50 30 00 27 35 7 50 14 45 10 00 4 50 10 00	4 90 3 90 54 76 7 00 8 10 2 40	5 00 5 50 3 50 5 00 2 35 4 70 2 41 4 80 5 00	75 70 000 19 10 5 00 25 00	67 00 23 25 31 45 81 50 54 00 34 70 16 10 79 76 34 41 22 55 12 40 27 30 15 00
Total Total last year					1998 1919		\$ 226 11 279 00	\$ 65 76 107 95	\$137 85 58 20	
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Brandon Station Carthage Walnut Grove. Hillsboro. Decatur. Newton and Hickory. Lake Morton and Forest. Clarksburg. Steens Creek and M. Shiloh. Westville. Raleigh. Trenton. Homewood. Montrose. Total Total last year	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	31	2 2 1 3 3 3 5 4 4 2 2 2 3 7 7 1 1 3 3 7 7	20 6 10 5 22 19 23 24 15 12 10 17 15 5 13	80 225 75 100 40 150 145 170 250 110 90 50 214 25 200 2014 2307	25 07 10 000 5 00 5 00 40 00 20 00 20 08 6 22 16 00 7 00 5 00 12 00 10 00 2 00	\$ 12 06	1 14 17 00 4 00 7 00 1 00 65 \$ 39 84	3 00 3 30 3 30 \$ 22 30	10 60 5 00 6 14 57 00 24 · 00 33 61 9 52 16 00 7 00 5 00 12 00 11 00 2 65 30 00
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MERIDIAN DISTRICT. .

NAME OF DISTRICT.	reagnes		Schools	and Teachers.		lected for Sunday Schools	Amount Collected for Missions	dren's Day		Total Amount Raised
Marion North Kemper Neshoba Linwood Daleville and Soule Chap.	1 2 5 5	21 28	48 62	267 376	3 40 2 145 130 4 125 5 300 1 135 6 100 1 100 1 165 1 135 1 195 1 175 0 0 3 2 243 2	29 0 0 23 9 0 4 0 28 0 0 14 8 8 14 2 7 7 7 7 5 0 0 4 5 0 0 5 5 6 6 8 5 5 6 6 8 5 6 6 8 6 8 7 6 8 14 2 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	5 10 6 20 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9	0 5 60 5 7 00 8 8 00 5 3 00 5 3 00 6 00 5 3 30 6 00 6 00 7 5 33 15 25 5 50 8 8 7 23 106 20	2 25 56 10 00 25 00 5 00 12 00 2 35 3115 70 127 26	5
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Natchez—Jefferson Street Natchez—Wesley Chapel Washington Fayette Barlow Roxie. Anite Gloster and C Wiikinson North Wilkinson Woodville Percy Creek Meadville. Homochitto Mission Woodville Mission Total	1	20	1 1 1 1 3 4 1 1 2 2 2 7 7 1 1 1 1 1 1 5 5 1 1 3 4	25 20	150 150 58 160 70 60 86 125 83 35 70 45 145 125 30 1392	\$ 145 58 37 00 14 20 40 00 16 80 4 00 7 00 33 70 8 00 15 00 16 70 15 00 13 35 1 50 \$ 366 8e	8 50	5 35 	91 22	62 35 14 20 40 00 28 80 4 60 15 50 52 05 30 60 23 40 43 55 10 25 21 75 13 35 1 50 \$663 15
BRO	ок	HA	VEN	D	STRI	CT.				
Caseyville Martinsville. Hazlehurst Gallman. Crystal Springs. Pleasant Grove. China Grove. Summit. Adams McComb Magnolia and Osyka Providence. Whitestown	1 1 1	37 28 20 30 14 129	1 1 3 5 4 1 3 1 4 4 5 2 1 2 4 4 4 4 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	15 23 12 26 20 12 20 12 16 24 41 11 16 12 14 19	135 (1400 120 135 140 80 170 126 135 150 243 200 75 133 2272 (440 120 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 13	101 95 25 00 15 25 10 00 20 00 20 00 33 65 6 80 20 00 46 75 15 00 161 74 23 85 18 80 37 65	57 17 2 36 20 00 2 00 23 00 5 50 5 35	4 50 8 36 2 70 7 10 4 31 5 00 4 00 6 85 14 35 9 50 5 86 6 50 3 05 10 60	2 00	197 87 35 72 17 95 17 10 49 31 27 00 63 65 13 65 34 35 48 75 30 00 167 60 35 70 21 85 48 25
Total	2	73	54	322	2582	504 56	86 67	66 90	36 25 8 94 00	832 40 852 13
Increase	3	56	9	29	310	3 106 88	\$ 31 71	\$ 20 43	67 75	19 73

ENTERPRISE DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	No. Epworth Leagues	No. Epworth League Membs	Number of Schools	and Teachers	Scholars	mount lected day Se	Amount Collected for Missions	Amount Collected on Children's Day	Amount Collected for Other Objects.	Total Amount Raised
Enterprise and Stonewall Shubuta. Mathersville and Mission. Pachuta. Waynesboro and State Line. Waynesboro Circuit. Leaksville. Vossburg. Heidleburg. Ellisville and Laurel Eastabuchie. Williamsburg. Mt. Carmel.	1	24	· 3 5 7 4 2 4 3 4 3 3 3 3 2 5	34 36 34 20 20 20 13 18 18 26 11	255 260 290 120 160 200 140 112 120 350 74 80 175	60 00 18 05 25 85 49 00 10 00 6 80	55 00 5 2 10 84 54 10 20	12 14 6 00 9 00 4 80 6 35 5 10		127 14 24 02 27 95 133 54
Total. Total last year.	4	75	48	280	2336	\$ 363 65	\$ 151 84	\$ 61 80	\$244 75	\$ 821 04
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SEA SHORE DISTRICT.

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Whittington			5	20	200	20	00				5 2	il			25	25
Bay St. Louis	1	14	3	21	186	50	97			1	5 3				56	28
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Purvis			3	23	288		00		3 15		14 65		25		127	80
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Hattiesburg			1	10	98		00		5 50		5 40				96	90
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RECAPITULATION-Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.

NAME OF CHARGE.	Leagnes	League Membs	Schools	and Teachers.		lected for Sunday Schools			Amount Col-	dren's Day	Amount Col-	10	lected for	Raised	Total Amount
Vicksburg. Jackson Brandon. Meridian Natchez. Brookhaven Enterprise. Sea Shore.	4 6 3 5 3 5 4 2	163 83 129	34 45	223 267 193		325 6 228 3 380 3 366 8 611 4 343 6	3 4 5	226 12	11 06 98 50 38 84	39 78 98 87 61	76 84 23	137 22 115 91 36 244	85 30 70 22 25 75	755 302 762 663 832 821	15 40 04
Total Total last year	32 18		350 341	1993 1967	16245 16473	\$3284 4 \$3689 1	3 5	\$1000 \$1118	97 12	\$599 \$544	51 63	\$867 \$704	93 18	\$5803 \$5797	37 94
Increase	14	448	9	26		\$ 174 6	1			\$ 54	88	\$ 163	75		43